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JAPANESE REPLY IN TIENTSIN

London, To-day.
Mr. E. G. Jamieson, British Consul-General in Tientsin, has received a written reply from the local Japanese authorities to protests that had been made to them concerning the erection of live-wire entanglements round the British Concession.
The reply is now under the consideration of the British Government.—British Wireless.

AXIS POWERS AGREED ON SLOVAKIA

ROME, TO-DAY.
COMMENTING ON THE LATEST EVENTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA THE PAPERS HERE EMPHASISE THE COMPLETE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AXIS POWERS CONCERNING THE NECESSITY OF DEFINITELY SETTLING THE CZECHOSLOVAK PROBLEM ON THE BASIS OF THE FULLEST AUTONOMY OF ALL MAIN ETHNICAL ELEMENTS IN THE REPUBLIC, A SETTLEMENT "DESTINED TO PREVENT THE DOMINATION OF THE PRAGUE GOVERNMENT IN BRATISLAVA AND TO ELIMINATE THE SO-CALLED BENES POLICY."

The Roman press adversely criticises the dismissal of the Tiso

Events Moving Towards Climax

Events in the Czech-Slovakian crisis are rapidly moving towards a climax, and the next 24 hours should result in Prague either surrendering to the German demands or in a clash.

Reports have been received of military movements by four powers—Germany, Poland, Hungary and Czecho-Slovakia—and it is known that Germany is following the same tactics as preceded her previous coups, namely the arming of the Slovaks from Austria.

Supplies of arms and munitions have come into Slovakia, and the Hlinka Guards, the Slovak Nationalist organisation, are being rapidly supplied.

Government which is declared to be in absolute contradiction to the spirit which inspired the Munich and Vienna agreements.

The Prague Government, according to the Roman press, had no right to dismiss Dr. Tiso and subsequently to seek a compromise solution.

The papers express the conviction that calm will be restored "as soon as satisfaction has been given to the national aspirations of the Slovaks."

The "Lavoro Fascista" writes that those aspirations had the strongest support of Mussolini at the Munich Conference where the necessary foundations were laid for a permanent solution of the Czechoslovak and Ruthenian questions.—Trans-Ocean.

Both the Hlinka Guards and the Czechs are concentrating large forces near Bratislava, focal point of the trouble.

Rumours persist in Bratislava (says Trans-Ocean) that Poland will invade Carpatho-Ukraine if Slovakia breaks away from Prague, and it is reported that Poland has concentrated troops on the border.

APPEAL TO HITLER

The Carpatho-Ukraine Premier, M. Voloshine, last night sent a telegram to Hitler appeal-

COMMUNISM WEAKEST IN BRITAIN

MOSCOW, TO-DAY.
COMMUNISM HAS NOT MADE MUCH HEADWAY IN GREAT BRITAIN, IT WAS ADMITTED AT THE 18TH CONGRESS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY HERE YESTERDAY.

Communist influence was weakest in the British Isles, where the party only had 18,000 members.

However, one of the speakers claimed that Communist doctrines were increasing in English Labour and Trade Union circles. The Party had 1,200,000 members in capitalist countries, it was announced.

ing for German "protection."

The Slovak Diet has been convened by Premier Sidor for 10 o'clock this morning.

A statement issued by the Hlinka Guards says that 19 Guards have been killed and 11 wounded, and 250 arrested by the Czechs.

(Earlier reports will be found in Pages 2, 5 and 12.)

Rising Cost Of Living In Japan

TOKYO, TO-DAY.
ACCORDING TO A SURVEY BY THE CABINET STATISTICS BUREAU RELATING TO THE FEBRUARY LIVING COST OF THE LABOURING AND SALARIED CLASSES IN JAPAN, THE FEBRUARY FIGURES RECORDED AN ADVANCE OF ABOUT 15% OVER THE CORRESPONDING FIGURES IN JULY, 1937, THE MONTH HOSTILITIES IN CHINA BROKE OUT.

The living costs of the labouring class in the 24 major cities in Japan in February stood at 115.3 (July, 1937 as 100), rising by 0.8% over the January figure and being 9% higher than in February 1938.

The February living cost of the salaried class in eleven major cities in Japan stood at 114.6, up by 1% over January and 8.6% higher than in February, 1938.

FEBRUARY LIVING COSTS (JULY, 1937 AS 100)

Labourers		
	Feb. 1939	Increase
Food & Drink	114.7	7.0
Housing	104.9	3.7
Light & Fuel	120.9	6.6
Clothing	140.5	28.7
Miscellaneous	105.9	8.3
White-collar Class		
	Feb. 1939	Increase
Food & Drink	115.1	7.4
Housing	103.9	2.9
Light & Fuel	117.9	5.6
Clothing	141.8	29.3
Miscellaneous	105.3	3.2

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HITLER DEMANDS MADE IN PRAGUE

CZECHS EXPECTED TO SUBMIT

REUTER MESSAGES RECEIVED IN HONG KONG THIS MORNING SIMULTANEOUSLY REPORT LARGE MOVEMENTS OF GERMAN MECHANISED TROOPS AND THE PRESENTING OF DEMANDS BY BERLIN TO PRAGUE.

Germany, it is semi-officially learned in Prague, is asking the Central Government in Prague to give Slovakia the right of self-determination, to replace the present Czech Defence Minister, General Sirovy, and the Minister of Interior, and to guarantee the protection of German minorities in Bohemia and Moravia.

Dr. Tiso, the Slovak ex-Premier, has requested President Hacha to summon the Slovak Parliament at Bratislava at 10 o'clock this morning. The request is stated to have been made as a result of Dr. Tiso's talk with Hitler in Berlin yesterday.

President Hacha has complied with the request, and the Slovak Parliament will have to decide the future of Slovakia.

Dr. Tiso and Dr. Durcansky arrived in Berlin yesterday by special plane from Vienna and drove to the Foreign Office, where they saw Herr von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister.

Herr von Ribbentrop took them straight to the Chancellery where Hitler was waiting.

The German demands on Prague presumably resulted from this meeting, though the official communique merely stated: "Pending issues were discussed."

PREMIER CALM

Meanwhile Mr. Neville Chamberlain made a statement in the House of Commons yesterday on the situation.

He declared that according to his reports only minor incidents had occurred in Bratislava in the last few days, and the situation there appeared to be outwardly calm.

NO FULL DRESS CRISIS

Meanwhile German circles in Berlin do not expect the Czech Government to prove unreasonable, and a full dress European crisis is not anticipated.

It is thought the German plan involves the establishment of genuine autonomy in Slovakia and Carpatho-Ukraine, with adequate guarantees against damage to German life and property.

The Prague Government, however, is expected to resign.—Reuter.

S.S. GUARDS CROSS BORDER

Other reports state that 25,000 Nazi S.S. Guards have crossed from Austria into Slovakia as far as Bratislava, while Hungary is massing troops on her frontier.

The regular Hungarian border troops have been heavily reinforced, though purpose of the measure is apparently merely a precaution to deal with an anticipated exodus of refugees from Slovakia.

Hungary is apparently not disposed to take advantage of the present situation, Budapest's attitude being that her frontiers have now been fixed and will remain as at present.

GOERING RETURNS TO BERLIN

Rome, To-day.

Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, the German Air Minister, who has been holidaying in Italy, left here unexpectedly for Berlin by train yesterday afternoon.

It is believed here that Field-Marshal Goering's return to Germany may be due to the events in Czecho-Slovakia and the renewed tension between Berlin and Prague.—Reuter.

A Nazi spokesman made a significant speech over the Vienna radio late last night.

"MOMENT NEAR"

He said: "Czecho-Slovakia's historical mission has always been to be the bridge between Germany and south-east Europe. The moment for fulfilment of this mission is near."

Warsaw despatches show that Poland is maintaining an attitude of great reserve. Opinion in Warsaw seems to be that a solution of the problem must come as result of the real wishes of the Slovaks.

London and Paris continue to keep in close touch, but the attitude in both capitals is that the dispute is no concern of Britain and France.

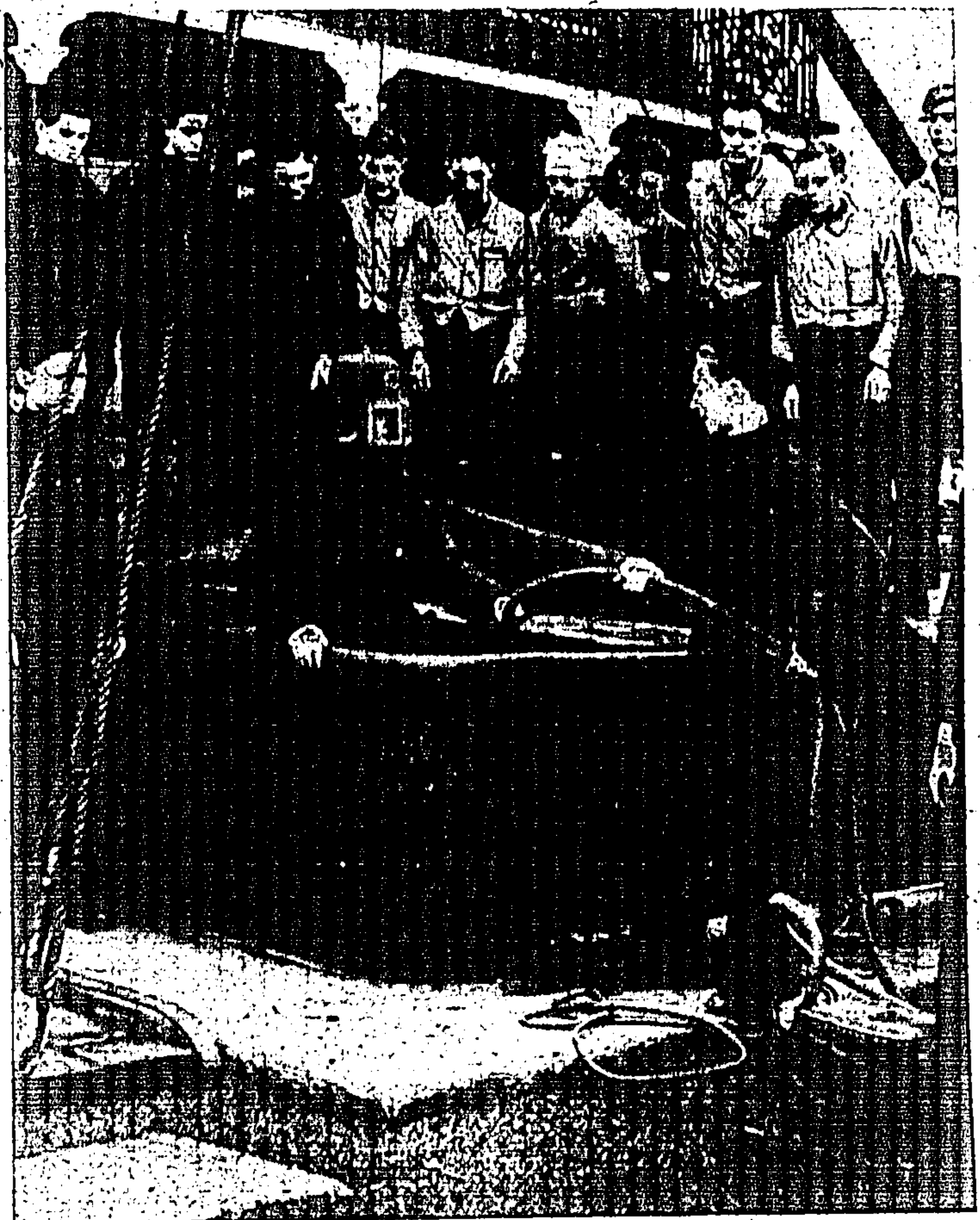
GERMAN MECHANISED TROOPS ON MARCH IN BAVARIA

Munich, To-day.

Movements of German troops in Bavaria in recent weeks have been large enough to attract attention, and have been the subject of discussion among the public.

Movements have been observed in more than usual strength in the direction of Salzburg, and some have taken place from Nuremberg to Munich.

The troops involved are mostly mechanised detachments with light guns, anti-aircraft guns and armoured cars.—Reuter.



Some 200 lads, aged from 15 to 18, are given ten to eleven weeks free training through the help of the Ministry of Labour, to fit them for the Merchant Service, at the Gravesend Sea School. These boys come from all parts of Britain and the present batch include a young Welsh miner and a grocer's assistant from Glasgow. Photo shows boys at fire drill on their land-ship, being taught how to use smoke apparatus for fires in ships' holds.

JAPS. READY TO TAKE ALL STEPS

Tokyo, To-day.

The Soviet Union must assume responsibility for the consequences should she disregard Japan's reasonable requests, the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, declared yesterday, discussing the fishery negotiations with Russia in the House of Peers.

Mr. Arita added: The Government is prepared to take the most effective and adequate measures for safeguarding Japanese rights and interests with firm determination should the worst eventualities materialise.—Reuter.

ANGLO-AMERICAN PROTEST ON CURRENCY

LONDON, TO-DAY.

BRITAIN IS MAKING REPRESENTATIONS TO JAPAN THAT THE RECENT JAPANESE CURRENCY REGULATIONS IN NORTH CHINA ARE LIKELY TO INTERFERE

WITH LEGITIMATE BRITISH TRADE INTERESTS.

In making this announcement in the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that the so-called provisional government in Peiping announced that as from March 11 the export of 12 specified commodities would not be permitted unless the foreign exchange proceeds were sold against Federal Reserve notes at 1/2d.

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These commodities together accounted for a high proportion of the export trade of North China.

A Washington despatch says that the American Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, announced that the United States had protested to Japan against the new currency measures, specifically objecting to the enforcement to the exclusion of Chinese currency.—Reuter.

NAZI ACTIVITY IN POLISH CORRIDOR

Twenty German Leaders Arrested

Reports Of Secret Training

An extensive investigation into the activities of German minority organisations in the western districts of Poland is being made by the police.

About a score of arrests have been reported from the Provinces of Poznan and Pomorze, better known as the Polish Corridor.

Those arrested include the leaders of German associations, sports clubs and co-operative societies. Herr von Moltke, the German Ambassador, saw Col. Beck, Polish Foreign Minister, and is understood to have referred to the investigation.

No charges have yet been made against those now in prison at the frontier town of Zbaszyn. It is stated, however, that under cover of religious activities they were engaged in preparing German minority organisations for subversive action against the Polish State. They are also alleged to have carried on an agitation for the return of the western provinces to Germany.

Frequent complaints have been received by the police about secret military training being given to German minority groups in Upper Silesia and the Polish Corridor. It has been stated that the purpose of this training was to prepare them for any emergency that might arise.

TALK ON MINORITIES

Strong exception is also taken in the Polish Press to insulting references to the late Marshal Pilsudski and to Dr. Graynski, Governor of Polish Upper Silesia, alleged to have been made at a public meeting arranged by the German Eastern Association at Benthien, in German Silesia. These references are described as "disgusting and unprintable."

Representatives of the Polish and German Governments are expected to meet soon in Berlin to discuss minority grievances.

The joint declaration concerning the treatment of minorities which the two Governments made on Nov. 5, 1937, was never effectively implemented. It is contended that the acknowledged rights of the Polish minorities in Germany and Danzig are not only cynically ignored but their situation daily grows worse.

The Ministry of the Interior has banned the "Danziger Vorposten," official organ of the Nazi party in Danzig, for its recent attacks on the Polish Government.

UKRAINE PLEDGES LOYALTY

Moscow, To-day.

The unity of the population of Soviet-Ukraine towards Stalin was emphasised by M. Kruschoff, a high Ukrainian official at the 18th Congress of the Communist Party.

He added: "All Fascist aggressors will break their heads against this unity. The union between the Ukrainian people is mighty and invincible."—Reuter.

MR. BUTLER ON THE LEAGUE

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDE TO THE PRESENT CONSTITUTION OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS WAS OUTLINED BY THE UNDER-SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MR. R. A. BUTLER, IN REPLY TO QUESTIONS IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY.

Mr. Butler said that although circumstances in the past imposed on the League tasks which were beyond its powers, the British Government was fully aware of the value of the League's organisation for the furtherance of international consultation and collaboration.

They would neglect no practical means of maintaining and extending its usefulness.

Britain did not at present propose to suggest any alteration in the League's constitution or constitutional objects.—Reuter.

POPE PIUS RECEIVES DUKE OF NORFOLK

Vatican City, To-day.

The Pope yesterday received in audience the foreign missions sent on the occasion of his coronation.

They included the Duke of Norfolk, who represented King George, and Mr. Joseph Kennedy, United States Ambassador in London, who represented President Roosevelt.

Mr. Kennedy was accompanied by his entire family with the exception of one son who is in Spain.—Reuter.

ADMIRAL BYRD OFF AGAIN

Miami, To-day.

Admiral Richard E. Byrd, the American explorer, states in a copyright interview with the "New York Daily News," that he is preparing another Antarctic trip soon, and expects to claim a million square miles for the United States.

Admiral Byrd adds: "I know there are mountains there with a coal supply sufficient to take care of the needs of the world for some time."—Reuter.

NAZI PORTRAITS OF BRITISH M.P.s

Under the inch-high headline, "That is what they look like—agitators against peace," the "Völkischer Beobachter" publishes a full page of photographs, including those of Mr. Anthony Eden, Mr. Duff Cooper, and Mr. Attlee.

Others depicted are M. Blum, French Socialist leader, M. Jouhaux, French trade union leader, Mr. Bernard Baruch, economic adviser to President Roosevelt, Mr. La Guardia, Mayor of New York, Cardinal Mundella, Archbishop of Chicago, and Mr. Harold Ickes, United States Secretary of the Interior.

LITVINOV VISIT DENIED

London, To-day.

Press reports that the Secretary for Overseas Trade, Mr. R. S. Hudson, would on his forthcoming visit to Moscow, invite the Soviet Foreign Commissar, M. Litvinov, to come to London, are denied in official quarters.—Trans-Ocean.

CHINESE AIR FORCE RAIDS AT SAMSHUI

Macao, To-day.

Daring air-raids were carried out by Chinese squadrons yesterday in the West River and North River regions, according to reliable messages received here late last night.

Chinese aircraft raided the Japanese at Samshui on the West River dropping bombs on Japanese gunboats and on military positions outside Samshui.

Japanese anti-aircraft guns kept the visitors at a great height.

One Japanese gunboat was reported to have been hit and partly damaged, while columns of smoke were seen rising from the ground when bombs were dropped on the Japanese positions.

The Chinese planes returned safely to their base flying across the Kwangai border.—Our Own Correspondent.

"...They're more trouble than the itch...but you can't knock 'em to me!

No, sree, sir, this here breed of folks is worse than horse-flies when it comes to buzzin' round and causin' a man worry...yet I want to tell you I wouldn't trade 'em for a pack of angels, and neither will you..."



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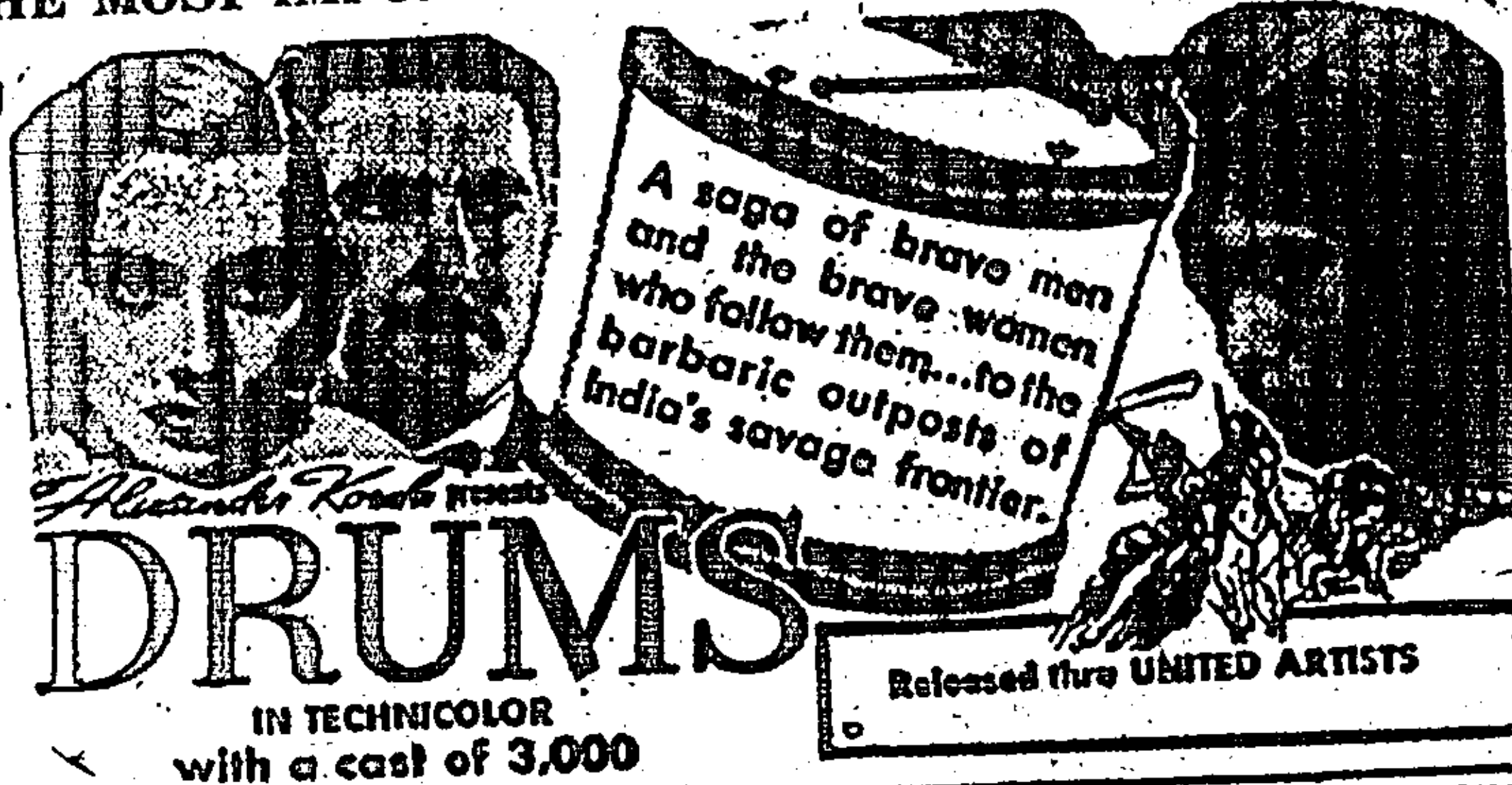
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HEROIN CASES**

A 30-year-old unemployed named Chan Bing, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, with keeping a heroin divan in Wing Lok Street, and with being in possession of 2565 heroin pills, and 13 pipes.

Sentence of four months' hard labour was imposed on the first count, two months' and a fine of \$2500 or a further six months' on the second count, and \$130 or two months' on the third charge.

Another Chinese, Yu Ching, was sentenced to four months' hard labour for keeping a heroin divan at No. 13 Wing Shing Street, and a fine of \$930 or five months' for possession of 700 heroin pills and 23 pipes.

Revenue Officer J. L. Stephens was in charge of the cases.

**NOT CLEVER
ENOUGH**

Lau Tsat, aged 28, unemployed, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, with obtaining \$200 by false pretences, from a retired merchant named Kwok Kam-hang, at No. 47C Robinson Road on Sunday.

It was said that a letter was stolen from the complainant's letter box some time ago, and at about 3 p.m. on Friday last, defendant came to the house, with the letter, stating that he was authorised by Liu Tak-choi, to receive the sum of \$200. Complainant suspected him and told defendant to come again on Sunday. Enquiries were made, and the Police were informed.

Defendant called again on Sunday, and was arrested.

Sentence of four months' hard labour was imposed, and Lau was recommended for banishment.

**THEFT FROM
STEAMER**

Mr. Evenson, of the S.S. Hauk, has informed the Police that at about 10 p.m. on Sunday and some time yesterday, some persons entered his cabin and stole Singapore and Hong Kong currency to the value of \$800, while the ship was lying in Kowloon.

WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that a moderate anticyclone covers China; it has decreased slightly in intensity. Pressure remains relatively low over Tongking and Siam.

Local forecast:—E. winds, moderate to fresh, cloudy, occasional drizzle or light rain.

**"ELUSIVE"
CLIENT IN
CAR CASE**

The case in which balance of \$246.70, due from the sale of a partnership of the Hong Kong Motor-car Service was successfully claimed by one Li Kam-poy from Chin Wai-kwong, Chin Ping-chuen and Chin Ping-kwan was resumed at the Supreme Court this morning, before the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell.

Defendants entered a counterclaim for the same amount, alleging that the money was in plaintiff's possession in his capacity as treasurer of the firm.

Mr. H. L. Kwan appeared for defendants and stated this morning that plaintiff and defendants were partners in the firm called the Hong Kong Motor-car Service. Plaintiff was appointed treasurer. The partnership was formed on October 31, 1938, but was dissolved on December 17, 1938 by notice given by plaintiff.

TAKINGS HANDED OVER

The firm employed one accountant and four drivers. From October 31, 1938 all takings were handed over by the drivers to plaintiff, who, in turn, made out payments on behalf of the company. A day after the partnership was formed, an accountant was employed. He, whenever receiving payments, handed them over to plaintiff.

Mr. Kwan continued that after the dissolution of the partnership on December 17, defendants decided to buy plaintiff's share for \$1,750. According to the accounts, plaintiff had in his possession the sum of \$246.70, representing part of the firm's takings. Therefore, this sum was deducted from \$1,750, purchasing price of plaintiff's share, and plaintiff was given the balance. Defendants consented to judgment when sued for the amount in the Summary Court.

Chin Wai-kwong, managing partner of the firm corroborated Mr. Kwan's outline and admitted that the sum of \$246.70 was deducted from the purchasing price of plaintiff's share, \$1,750.

Chan Hon-cho, accountant, stated that the current day's takings were entered in the books the following day when the money was handed over to plaintiff.

"ELUSIVE CLIENT"

Mr. Loseby submitted that his client had no case to answer. He then made several statements which according to the Puisne Judge, were not material to the case and were dismissed. In adjourning the case the Puisne Judge said that he hoped Mr. Loseby's elusive client would be present at the next hearing.

Mr. Loseby strongly objected to the word "elusive." Mr. Justice Lindsell remarked that he used the word because plaintiff should have been in Court to instruct his solicitor.

Mr. Loseby replied that the cost of his client returning from French Indo-China was much greater than the claim.

The case was then adjourned to April 12 at 10 a.m.

**ROYAL FAMILY
AT B.B.C.**

London, To-day.

The King and Queen, who were accompanied by Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret, spent nearly two hours in a tour of Broadcasting House yesterday afternoon.

They saw a number of programmes both in rehearsal and being broadcast, and took tea with the Director-General, Mr. F. W. Ogilvie, in his office.—British Wireless.

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NAZI PRESS CONTINUES ITS HYMN OF HATE: 'CZECH BRUTALITY' ALLEGED

London, To-day.

The German press shows no signs of abating its attacks on the Czechs, and continues to publish a series of alleged incidents in which Germans are stated to have been involved.

The German minority in Bruenn, the largest German settlement inside the Czech State, is reported to be a victim of "Czech brutality," and these press reports have caused indignation to flare up in Germany.

Headlines in the "Voelkischer Beobachter" declare: "German blood again flowing in Bruenn."

The "Montagspost" speaks of a "Monstrous Czech terror."

Meanwhile the British press takes things calmly.

Owing to the absence from London of several Cabinet members and a number of leading British politicians, comment on the events in Slovakia is not yet available.

"UNLESS"

The special correspondent of the "Daily Mail" in Bratislava says his impression is that Germany has no intention of invading Slovakia "unless the rights of the German minority are endangered."

The "Daily Telegraph," however, says that Germany has exercised the strongest pressure to have the autonomy question settled in a manner agreeable to Germany.

The Nazi press (says a Berlin message) reports incidents between Germans and Czech gendarmes from Iglau.

Czech gendarmes are alleged to have charged with fixed bayonets after the swastika flag had been hoisted on the Town Hall.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPS. START DRIVE ON NANCHANG

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

THE JAPANESE DRIVE TOWARDS NANCHANG COMMENCED YESTERDAY MORNING WHEN THOUSANDS OF TROOPS SUCCESSFULLY LANDED ON THE SOUTH SHORES OF THE POYANG LAKE.

Fierce battle were reported to be raging between the Chinese and the Japanese in that region and both sides suffered heavily.

Japanese aircraft are assisting the infantry and the outskirts of Nanchang were bombed yesterday afternoon.

According to Chinese reports some months previously, Nanchang is well fortified and is claimed to be impregnable.—Our Own Correspondent.

CHINA WAR STRATEGY IN SECOND PERIOD

CHUNGKING, TO-DAY.

CHINA'S STRATEGY FOR THE SECOND PERIOD OF THE SINO-JAPANESE HOSTILITIES WAS THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED AND DECIDED UPON AT AN IMPORTANT MILITARY CONFERENCE WHICH HAS JUST BEEN CONCLUDED AT AN UNDISCLOSED PLACE.

Army commanders attending the conference received specific instructions regarding the prosecution of guerilla warfare as well as counter-measures against Japanese political and economic penetration. It is learned that the Chinese will be on the initiative in an all-fronts guerilla war against the Japanese invaders who have now penetrated into the interior of China.

HUGE FORCE MASSED

A huge Chinese force is already massed at certain vantage points to start a wide encircling movement against the Japanese while in Hopei, Shansi, Chahar and Suiyuan and in the areas along the Peiping-Hankow and Canton-Hankow Railways well-coordinated mobile warfare will be started.

To counteract the Japanese political and economic penetration a National Spiritual Mobilisation Movement has been started to bolster the spirit of resistance of the Chinese people and stringent measures will be enforced to stop the flow of Japanese goods into the areas under their control and to prevent Chinese foodstuffs and other daily necessities from entering into these areas.

Meanwhile, improvements in the political administration will be introduced, economic resources will be developed, and cultural and propaganda work will be strengthened in order to increase the power of resistance.—Central News.

FIGHT LOOMS FOR ROOSEVELT

Washington, To-day.

Senate leaders have revised the legislative programme to permit the Smith Bill to take precedence over other controversial measures with a view to expediting action in the hope of enactment in time for the new crop.

It is, however, believed uncertain whether the bill can be disposed of without a long fight which appears to be looming especially in the House.—Router.

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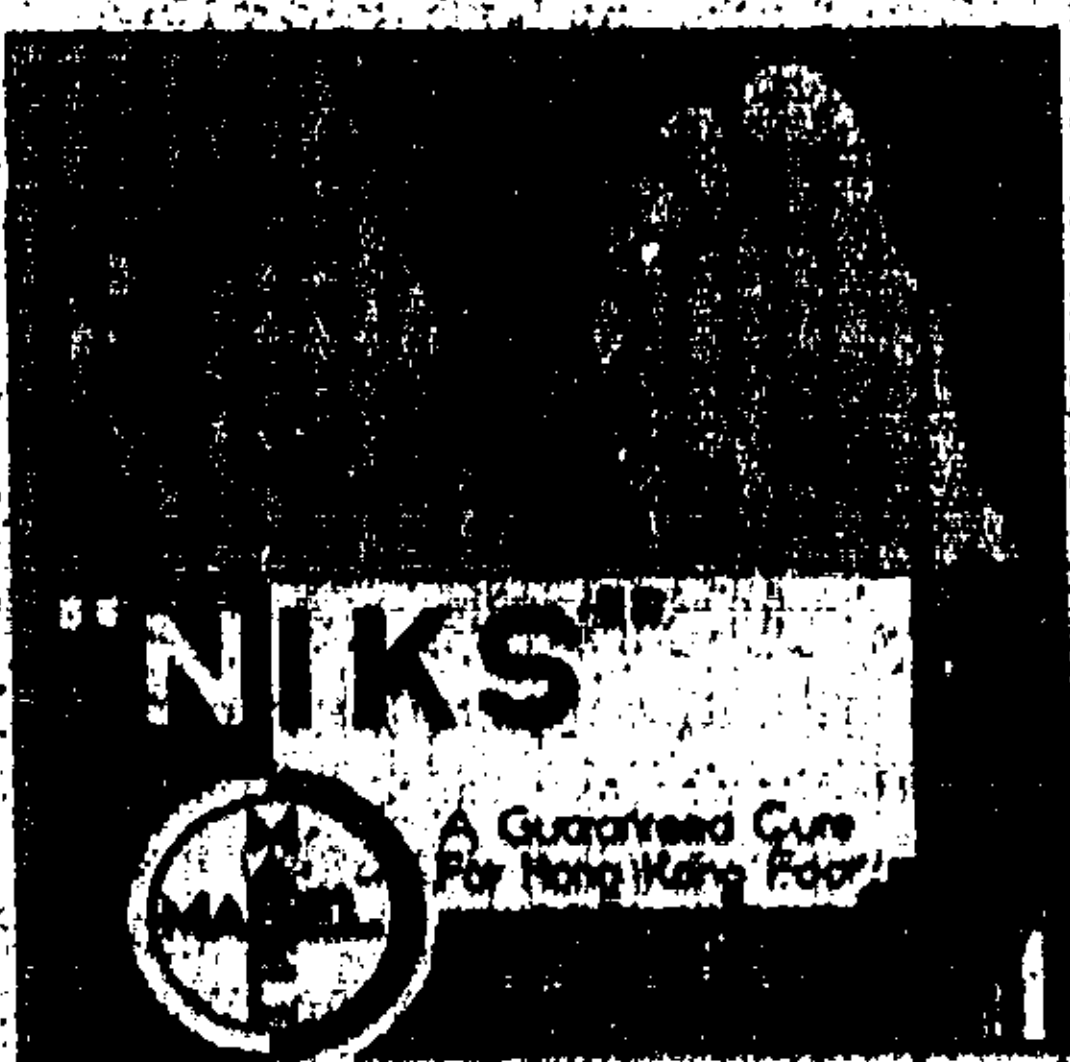
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POWER WITHOUT JUSTICE IS TYRANNICAL SAYS FOREIGN SECRETARY

London, To-day.

An important pronouncement on British foreign policy was made by the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, in the House of Lords yesterday. Lord Halifax said that the principle guiding our foreign policy to-day was one of justice with power.

Justice without power was impossible; power without justice was tyrannical.

Referring to the international situation, Lord Halifax said that quite apart from what was happening, the air was constantly filled with sensational rumours of what was going to happen, and he was afraid some of them took little trouble to distinguish between fact and fiction.

"It may be that it suits some people, for whatever reasons, to propagate rumours of spread distorted views.

"This means that the responsibility laid on the press is a heavy one; it is perhaps heavier in this country because of our complete freedom, and I would appeal to those who write and those who read newspapers to weigh carefully all reports of foreign governments' alleged intentions.

TAKE ALL STEPS

"Distorted or sensational presentation of foreign news is not only dangerous in itself but tends to defeat the purposes which, almost without distinction of party, we all have to bear.

"So far as the Government is concerned their action will be deflected in neither one direction nor the other by these unsupported speculations, but we shall, while working steadfastly for peace, continue to take whatever steps necessary to give the country the strength and self-confidence that its position and circumstances demand.

FRIENDLY APPROACH

"We shall do that partly because we are just as resolved as any other great power to maintain our independence on terms of equality with all others, and partly because we believe we can make at least as great a contribution as any other power to building a better world.

"While thus discharging as faithfully as we may our first duty to our own people, we shall neglect no opportunity of a friendly and sincere approach to or by the governments of other countries which may hold real promise of removing misunderstandings or suspicion and so strengthening the forces that make for peace.

ITALIAN DEAD IN SPAIN

Rome, To-day.

The casualty figures of the Italian "volunteers" in Spain up to middle of February were officially given here yesterday as 14,353 officers and men.

Of this total 272 officers and 2,798 men were killed, 889 officers and 9,819 men wounded, six officers and 208 men were missing and five officers and 261 men taken prisoner. — Trans-Ocean.

NEW B.B.C. CHAIRMAN

London, To-day.

It is announced that Sir George Allan Powell, member of the Import Duties Advisory Committee, is to be Chairman and Governor of the B.B.C.—Reuter.

GAVE AWAY HIS FRIENDS

A story of betrayal for hope of a reward was told at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen by Sub-Inspector C. T. Byron when he prosecuted three persons on a charge of unlawful possession of arms.

Accused are Hong Chung, 23, unemployed, Lei Ping, 25, printer, and Yam Yung, 21, paper dyer. All were charged with possession of a revolver and three rounds of ammunition.

According to the prosecution, second accused, who knew a Chinese detective attached to the Shamshuipo Police Station, gave information that a man would pass Castle Peak Road with the arms. Acting on the information, Det-Sgt. A Soutar arrested the first accused in Castle Peak Road that night together with the arms in his girdle.

Sentence of nine months imprisonment each was imposed.

IMP. AIRWAYS NOW FLYING TO HANOI

Imperial Airways have been granted commercial facilities in Indo-China, says an announcement issued by the company this morning.

Imperial Airways are now able to carry passengers, mail and freight to and from Hanoi.

Passengers from Hong Kong can now fly to Hanoi and there connect with the C. N. A. C. and Eurasia services to Kunming (Yunnanfu) and Chungking.

LUICHOW RAIDS

Kwangchowwan, To-day.

Japanese aircraft visited southwestern Kwangtung and the Luichow Peninsula again yesterday. Bombs were rained on many cities and villages. — Our Own Correspondent.

MR. BUTLER GIVES THE STANDARD REPLIES

China In House Of Commons

London, To-day.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, was subjected to the usual barrage of questions in China in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Butler's replies did not depart from the customary answers given on China, namely that protests had been made or would be made to the Japanese Government.

Notes of protest dealing with some 22 cases of damage suffered by British subjects or property, had been addressed to the Japanese Government since the commencement of the Sino-Japanese War, Mr. Butler stated.

TIENTSIN NO CONCENTRATION CAMP?

LONDON, TO-DAY.

IN A STATEMENT ON THE SITUATION IN TIENTSIN, THE UNDER-SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MR. R. A. BUTLER, SAID THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR IN TOKYO HAD ADDRESSED A NOTE TO THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER ON MARCH 4.

The Note pointed out the scrupulously correct attitude of the British authorities at Tientsin, and drew attention to various actions directed against the British Concession there. It requested early instruction to ensure moderation of the attitude of the local Japanese authorities.

Mr. Noel Baker (Labour): Would it be correct to say that the British Concession has gradually become a Japanese concentration camp?

Mr. Butler: No, it would not, but the seriousness of the situation is in no way minimised by my answer. — Reuter.

CHINESE MEMBERS OF LOAN COMMITTEE

MR. PEI TSU-YEE, ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER OF THE BANK OF CHINA, AND MR. S. M. TONG, GENERAL MANAGER OF THE BANK OF COMMUNICATIONS, HAVE BEEN APPOINTED TO REPRESENT THE TWO CHINESE BANKS ON THE WORKING COMMITTEE IN CONNECTION WITH THE \$10,000,000 LOAN TO THE STABILIZATION FUND OF CHINA.

It is learned that the Bank of China will subscribe \$3,000,000 and the Bank of Communications, \$2,000,000.

The General Managers of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank-

Apologies had been forthcoming in respect of nine cases, compensation was paid in four cases and promises in respect of three others.

Questioned regarding the reply to the recent Note to Japan on the subject of the Open Door, Mr. Butler answered that the Note recorded the Government's attitude in the Far East situation in the light of official Japanese statements of policy.

NO REPLY

No reply had been received, and the question of sending one must be a matter for the Japanese Government to decide.

Regarding the bombing of the Jenkin-Robertson Hospital at Sian, Mr. Butler stated the hospital had suffered three direct hits and much damage caused to adjacent buildings. These premises were clearly marked with two Union Jacks.

One Chinese nurse was killed but the foreign members of the hospital staff were reported to be unharmed.

STRONG PROTEST

A strong protest was being made to the Japanese Government, and the right to claim compensation was reserved.

Questioned regarding the Japanese demand for 32 places in the Canton Customs, Mr. Butler said the Foreign Secretary was aware of the suggestion but there was no indication of the exact extent of acceptance.

In any case, the British Government had made clear throughout their view that the changes now being made in the Chinese Maritime Customs personnel were among the temporary measures which must be the subject of reconsideration at the termination of the present hostilities.

HAI HO BRIDGE

Mr. Butler stated that the new bridge across the Hai Ho at Tientsin had been completed and opened to traffic on March 10. The bridge crossed the river between the Italian and Japanese Concessions but up-stream from the British and French Concessions.

The question of taking steps did not appear to arise. — Reuter.

ing Corporation and the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, are the two other members of the working committee of five, the fifth having not yet been appointed.

EGYPTIAN PRINCESS MARRYING TO-MORROW

Lovely Princess of a land the beauty of whose women has been a legend since the days of Cleopatra... seventeen-year-old Princess Fawzieh, will be married to the Crown Prince of Iran (Persia) in Cairo to-morrow. She and her Prince (inset) have never met. But with his letters have come tokens of his love... priceless pearl necklaces, an exquisite hand-mirror and a magnificent ring.



Now he is in Cairo awaiting the ceremony. And his bride-to-be is ready with the trousseau that befits a Royal Princess of Egypt... seven fur coats, 100 dresses, jewels worth \$55,000—and 200 trunks and suitcases to carry them back to Teheran, her future home.

JAPS. IN OCCUPATION OF BRITISH MILL

London, To-day.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, said in the House of Commons yesterday that the Chun Tah Mill in Soochow had been occupied on behalf of a Japanese textile company and access denied to the rightful British owners.

Renewed representations had recently been made by the British Ambassador in Tokyo, as a consequence of which the Japanese Government had sent to the Japanese local authorities at Shanghai fresh instructions which would be sufficient to ensure an impetus towards settlement.

Asked if he was aware that this was only one of many instances of confiscation of British property by the Japanese, Mr. Butler said he was aware of the difficulties but in this particular case he had described the steps which he hoped would lead to a settlement. — Reuter.

FALSE TEETH STOLEN FROM HOTEL

Capt. J. W. Bundred, of Messrs. Goddard and Douglas is destined to suffer some inconvenience for the next few days unless the police move quickly.

A resident of the Peninsula Hotel, Capt. Bundred reports that at about 9.30 yesterday evening, his room was entered and someone removed his false teeth valued at \$247.

BRITONS MAROONED IN HANKOW

LONDON, TO-DAY.

MR. A. C. MOREING (CONSERVATIVE, PRESTON), ASKED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY WHETHER THE PREMIER WAS AWARE THAT THERE WERE MORE THAN 100 BRITISH SUBJECTS IN HANKOW REQUIRING PASSAGE TO SHANGHAI IN ADDITION TO THOSE WHO FOR BUSINESS REASONS DESIRED TO PROCEED FROM SHANGHAI TO HANKOW, AND WHAT ARRANGEMENTS WAS HE ABLE TO MAKE FOR THEIR SAFE AND SPEEDY TRANSPORT?

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, declared the Foreign Secretary was fully aware of the position, which at present was "under active consideration."

ALREADY IN TOUCH

Mr. Moreing: Is he aware that British ships are not allowed to carry out lawful trading on the Yangtse, and that British subjects are not allowed to travel in Japanese ships, and will he consider consulting the Admiral commanding China Station to see what steps can be taken to open up this international highway?

Mr. Butler: We have already been in touch with the officer in question in view of the importance of the matter. — Reuter.

U.S. TO ARM SOUTH AMERICA?

Washington, To-day:

A resolution providing that the President might at discretion authorise the Secretaries of War and Navy to manufacture in America armaments and ships for the Latin-American countries, has been introduced by Senator Key Pittman in the Senate.

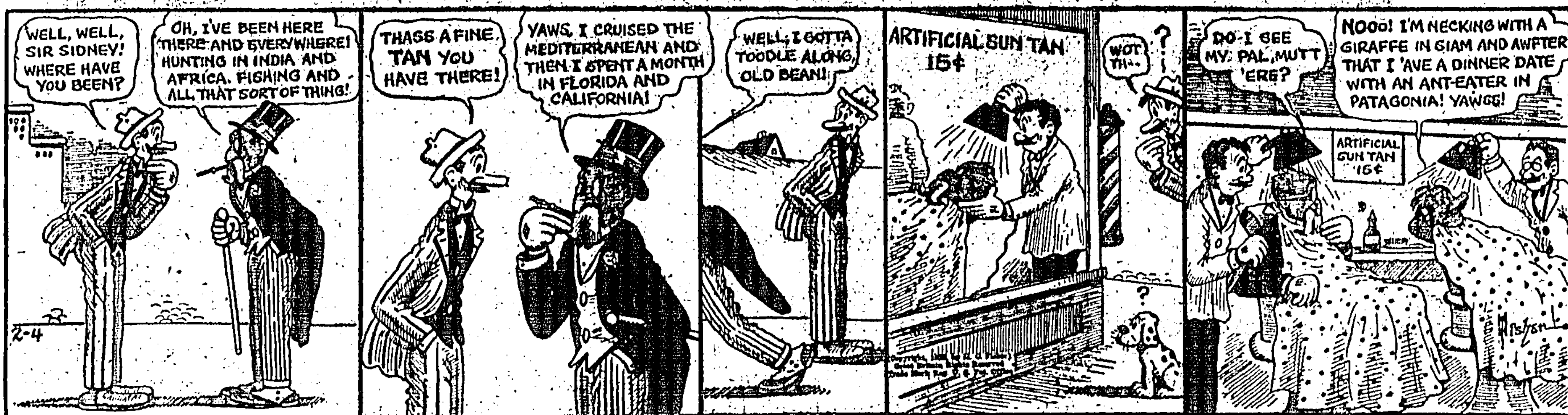
Under the resolution, all contracts would contain a provision that neither the arms nor ammunition be disposed of by the government receiving them in any manner by which they could become part of the armaments of any country. — Reuter.

CHINESE RETAKE SHANSI TOWN

Kweilin, To-day.

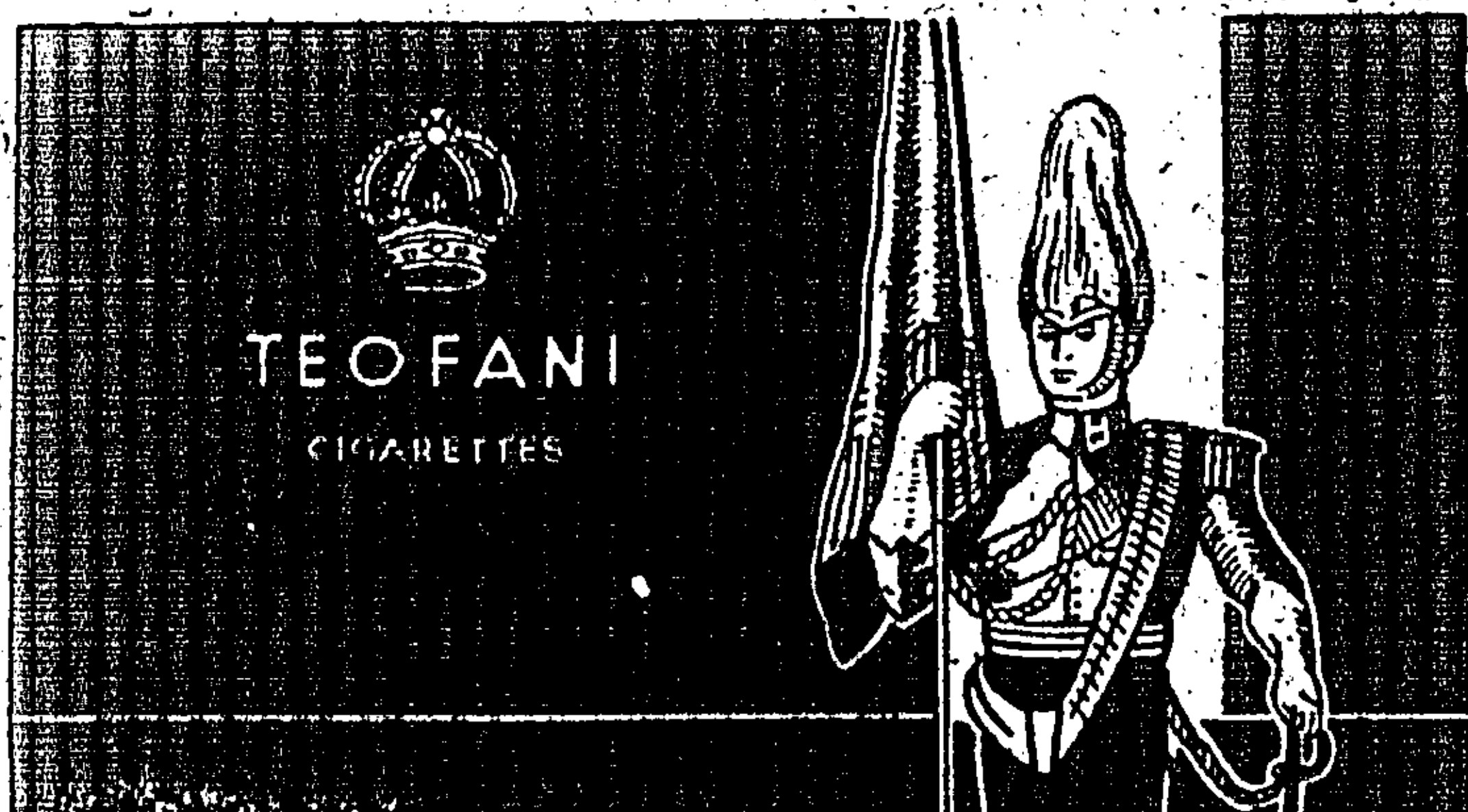
According to military despatches reaching here, Tawuchen, north of Lishih in Shansi, has been retaken by Chinese forces following a vigorous counter-offensive.

With the recapture of this town, the Chinese are able to bring pressure to bear upon the Japanese occupying the Tientsin area. — Reuter.



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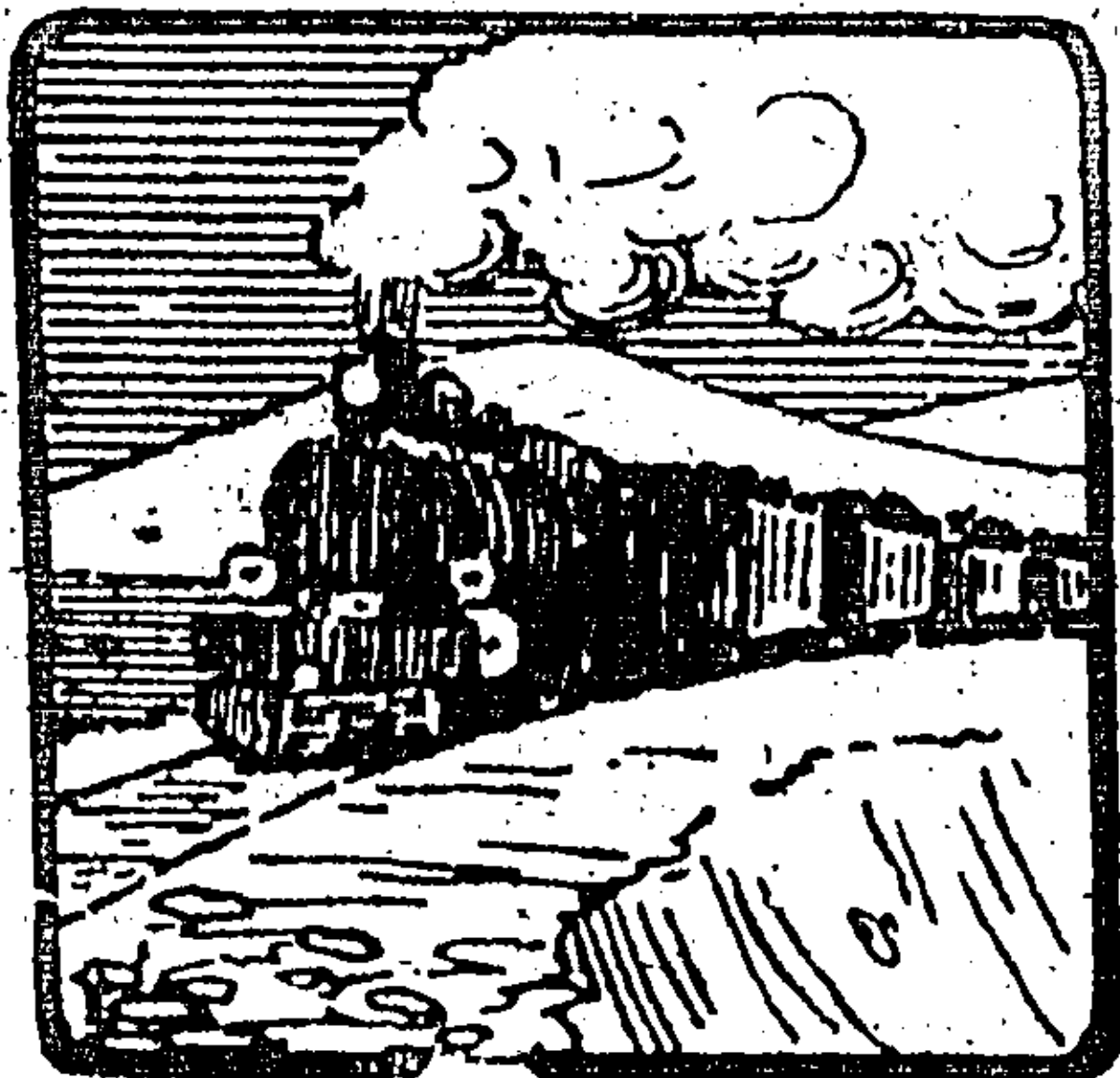
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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

HECTOR

THEY used to say about Hector Vail but the startling fact was revealed that there was never a circumstance out of which he couldn't make some money. He was clever, that boy. Oh, he never became rich. I doubt whether he wanted to be. Wealth would mean he would no longer have to use his wits or think up ingenious ways of making money, and that would have robbed him of life's greatest thrills.

Hector wasn't dishonest. On the other hand he wasn't faultlessly honorable, either. Sometimes I used to think he bluffed his way along, but I changed my mind about that.

Last January my wife and I sailed for a short vacation in the West Indies. I was surprised to find Mr. and Mrs. Hector Vail listed among the passengers—surprised and not a little pleased, for wherever Hector is there is bound to be something doing.

As it happened, we were two days late in getting out of Boston. Fog. And we were held up in New York harbour for another day. More fog. By this time the passengers were pretty well acquainted and likewise a little bored. After all, there are limits to the activities available aboard ship, especially

but the startling fact was revealed that Hector Vail collected nearly two hundred dollars. I say, startling because it had never occurred to me that Hector was a man who possessed information about things that did not pertain to his various enterprises. My respect for the man mounted considerably.

Before we docked in Jamaica three days later Hector was wealthier by more than \$500.

It is doubtful whether I or any of the other passengers would have again thought of the guessing game at which Hector Vail had profited, except that a month after we returned to Boston I dropped in at my travel agent's to discuss a Labrador trip for next summer.

"You'll probably be glad to know that there's a man from your town taking the same trip," the agent said. "Chap named Hector Vail. He was on the southern cruise with you, wasn't he?"

"Yes," I admitted. "He won a lot of money playing a guessing game. He's probably using it for this Labrador trip."

"What kind of a guessing game?"

By Stanley Cordell

when weather conditions make it impossible to spend any time out on deck.

The first day out of New York, with a southeast rain keeping us all inside, Captain Halsey, realizing, like all good captains of cruise ships that his passengers should be entertained, came forward with suggestions for games. He knew we were all landlubbers and he thought we ought to know something about the sea and ships. So he wrote down a list of questions.

"How many tons of coal would you think it takes to navigate this boat from New York to Jamaica?" "How many gallons of fresh water do you think we carry?" Those were samples of the questions. The passengers looked over the list and instantly became interested, because there were things they would all like to know.

Before the contest started a man named Mills made a suggestion: "Let's make it worthwhile. Let's all chip in a quarter for each question. The one who guesses nearest the correct answer gets the prize, Captain Halsey will be the judge."

The suggestion was met by approval. About 100 passengers chipped in a quarter for each question. There were 10 questions, making the total prize money \$250, or \$25 per question.

A committee was appointed to consult with the captain; rules were drawn up and the contest began. Three minutes were allowed for each question. When a half hour was up, the captain collected the papers and checked the answers with his list.

It developed that Hector Vail won \$175, Mills \$25 and the two other prizes went to two other passengers.

Mills was enthusiastic. He suggested another game, this time having twenty questions at twenty-five cents each, all questions pertaining to matters of the sea. One hundred and fifteen passengers agreed to make up the pool.

There were ten winners this time.

"Oh, about coal tonnage and fresh water supply and speed—things that would interest anyone taking his first ocean trip."

The agent smiled and his eyes twinkled. "So that's it!" he said.

"What do you mean?"

"Nothing much. Vail spent an hour asking me questions about Labrador, and wanted to know the address of the steamship company. Said he had some facts he wanted to check up on."

I made it a point the next week to drop in and see Burt Mills.

"Mills," I said, "that was a pretty fast one you and Vail pulled on the southern cruise. Now don't look blank. Vail put you up to ask the captain that he suggested that game. He told you the answers to a couple of questions to make it worth your while."

Mills looked sheepish. "It didn't occur to me what a job I was putting up on you others until it was too late. I didn't know he had all the answers. By the way, Vail is taking a Labrador trip next summer. Should we warn the captain about him?"

"No," I said with a sigh. "People have been warned against Hector Vail dozens of times. It doesn't do any good. He's too smart for them."

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BRITAIN'S STAND ON SPAIN REITERATED

Chinese Sappers Convicted

"THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF DISTURBANCES IN THE WANCHAI DISTRICTS IN WHICH MEN OF THE CHINESE COMPANY OF THE ROYAL ENGINEERS WERE CONCERNED INVOLVING HAWKERS, RICKSHAW COOLIES AND HOKLOS, AND UNLESS THESE INCIDENTS ARE STOPPED THERE MAY BE A MAN-SLAUGHTER CASE ONE DAY," SAID INSPECTOR A. V. BAKER, DIVISIONAL INSPECTOR OF EASTERN DISTRICT, AFTER SAPPERS WONG TIM AND KWOK CHUNG AND CORPORAL LO KAM-PO WERE CONVICTED BY MR. R. A. D. FORREST AT THE CENTRAL MAGISTRACY AND SENTENCED TO THREE MONTHS' HARD LABOUR FOR BEING IN POSSESSION OF INSTRUMENTS, THAT IS JACKKNIVES, FIT FOR AN UNLAWFUL PURPOSE IN WANCHAI ON MARCH 6.

The three defendants pleaded that they did not know it was unlawful for them to have jackknives in their possession when off duty, while the third defendant added that he had taken his in a hurry when he heard of a fight between Sappers and others in Wanchai.

Captain J. Matthews stated in evidence that Corps Orders of February 3 forbade men to carry jackknives while walking out, and by this it was meant that men off duty whether in uniform or mufti were not to carry jackknives. The order was made, as far as he knew, to prevent trouble.

THREE OCCASIONS

S. I. Darkin stated that on March 3, the Police were called out on three different occasions the same night as the result of fights. The defendants were arrested during these visits. On the first two defendants jackknives were found which had the Regimental numbers on them. In the case of the third defendant the knife belonged to somebody else.

S. I. Darkin asked that a serious view be taken of this case as the third defendant by using another person's knife might have incriminated another person.

Mr. Forrest added that he considered gang fights very seriously and believed that the men had the knives with the object of using them.

In connection with the above case, Ho Yau, a sapper, was remanded for 24-hours when charged with causing bodily harm to and wounding Nam Chau, in Wanchai.

Mr. Hans Augustesen, of Hanoi Road, was fined \$3 by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfarlane at Kowloon, this morning for leaving his car unattended in Salisbury Road between 8 a.m. and 8.55 a.m. on February 20.

No Belligerent Rights For General Franco

London, To-day.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain emphasised in the House of Commons yesterday that the Government's policy regarding belligerent rights remained unchanged.

Mr. Chamberlain was replying to a demand for a statement relating to the declaration of a blockade by the Spanish Nationalist Government.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, replying to further questions on Spain, declared the situation in central Spain was very confused.

The British Government had not been in contact with either the Republicans or the Nationalists about conditions for an armistice.

The Government regarded the repatriation of Spanish refugees in France as a matter between the French and Spanish Governments.

His Majesty's Government had decided to render assistance towards the maintenance of refugees, and a grant would be made in the immediate future to the British Red Cross.

Replying to additional questions on the Franco blockade, Mr. Butler said the Foreign Secretary had made it perfectly clear that the Royal Navy would take action on the high seas if there was any interference with British ships. — Reuter.

VICEROY TO MEET MR. GANDHI

London, To-day.

In the course of a long Commons answer, in which he gave further particulars of the circumstances of the recent constitutional dispute in Rajkot State which occasioned the fast by Mr. Gandhi, the Under-Secretary for India mentioned Wednesday as the probable day which Lord Linlithgow would be receiving Mr. Gandhi to discuss the questions at issue. — British Wireless.

BRITISH PROPOSALS TO BE PUT TO-MORROW

London, To-day.

The Palestine Committee of the Cabinet considered the British proposals yesterday morning and Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, Secretary for Colonies, later had a talk with Tewfik Pasha, chief minister for Trans-Jordan, on Trans-Jordan and Palestine affairs after which Mr. Macdonald and Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Foreign Secretary, had an informal talk with Ali Maher, Tewfik Suwaidi and Fuad Bey Hamza.

Government representatives are putting the finishing touches to the proposals which it is hoped will be ready to be put before the delegation at the meeting to-morrow. — Reuter.

BISHOP ROBBED

Mr. Howard, of Bishop's House, has reported that at about 3 p.m. yesterday, some person stolen a sum of \$100 in Chinese currency and a fountain pen valued at \$10 from an open drawer from the Bishop's office.

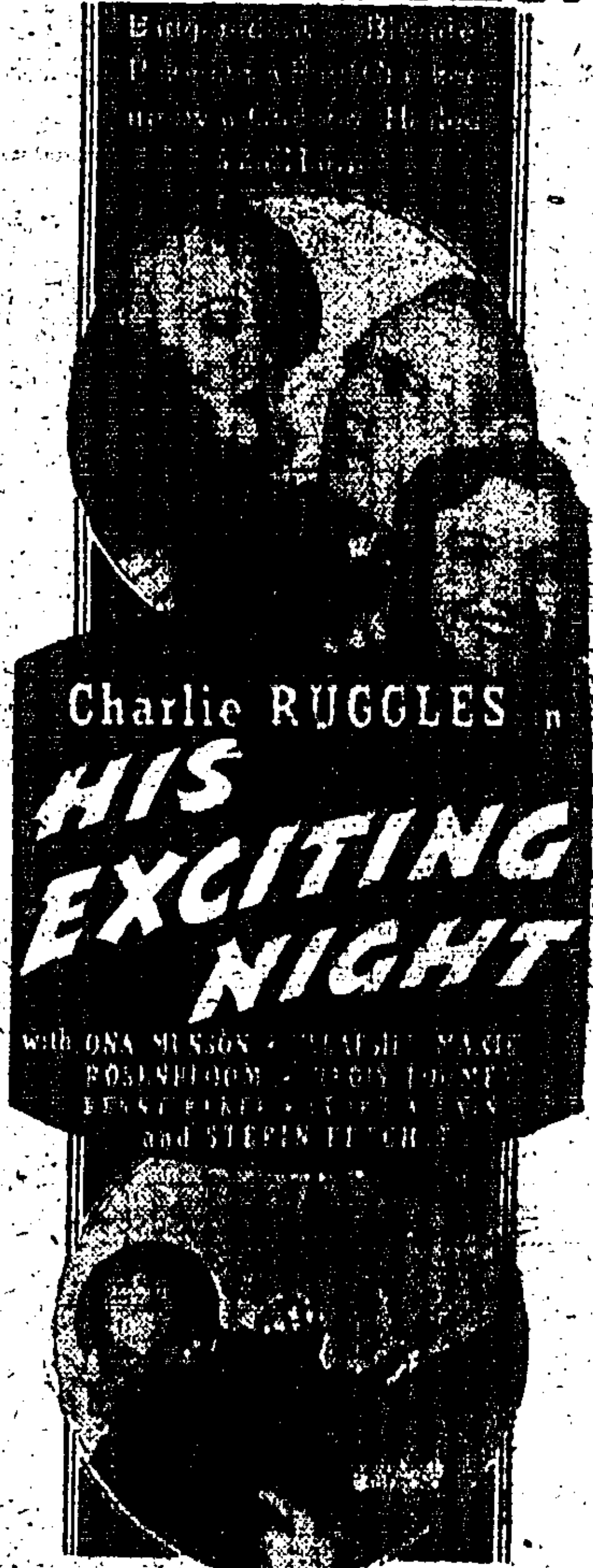
OIL AGREEMENT NOT REACHED

The Hague, To-day.

It is learned authoritatively that reports of an agreement between the Mexican Government and the foreign oil companies operating in Mexico are premature.

A decision in a favourable sense, however, is expected shortly. — Reuter.

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CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Speculation on events in Czechoslovakia would be rash. Only two facts have emerged crystal clear. If Germany has not already made a move towards completing the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia, it is only because the moment is inopportune, or because no understanding regarding the division of the spoils has yet been reached with Italy. The second obvious fact is that if Germany should decide upon positive action, "in response to the appeal" of the Slovak extremists and in line with her "responsibility for peace and order," derived from the Vienna Arbitration Court, Britain and France will do no more than utter a clicking sound of disapproval.

How much Germany contributed to the development of the crisis is a matter of doubt. Impression is that little or nothing was done by way of direct instigation. The more logical explanation of events is that the Slovak separatists, encouraged by the warmth of their reception in Berlin, went much farther and faster than Herr Hitler had any reason to anticipate. Which is not to argue that advantage will not be taken of the situation if it suits the book of Germany, and Mussolini.

Few can doubt that left alone, an accommodation could be found between the views of the Czechs and the Slovak people. The disturbing element from an international standpoint is the anti-Czech campaign in the German press, which is playing the pre-Munich game all over again, and providing the "justifications" for intervention, should action be decided upon.

Prague's fate depends not upon the rights or wrongs of the case, the right of the Czechs to forestall a putsch or wrongs done to the Slovaks to inspire one. It depends upon whether or not Herr Hitler and his principal lieutenants consider it expedient to act "on cause shown."

Perhaps the fact that neither Sudetenland nor Austria have proved exactly an economic asset will prove more influential than political considerations.

**Dance Of The
Wavelengths**

Broadcasting on other waves measuring less than one yard from crest to crest has long been

restricted by the inherent limits of the radio tube as we know it. Now the stepping of radio down to shorter and shorter wavelengths has opened up vast new fields for useful work. The important step, from ten metres down to one metre, for example, provided arenas for television, Armstrong's staticless radio and an accurate aviation altimeter, among other things.

Researchers saw even greater possibilities below this area if only radio tubes would handle still shorter waves. Now comes an invention—the "Rhumbatron"—which easily produces wavelengths down to four inches with great power and thereby promises to revolutionize the communication art. It may turn out to be the most important radio invention since De Forest invented the present radio tube in 1906.

Like many inventions, the new device resulted from work toward an entirely different object. William W. Hansen, associate physics professor at Stanford University, was working out a new way to smash atoms when he hit upon an idea which he saw had other possibilities. From that point two brothers, Russell and Sigurd Varian, the latter an aviation expert, decided to carry on experiments in the direction of ultra-short-wave transmission, particularly as it held out hopes for better navigational aids for aviation. The experiments were successful.

As to the name, the action of the electrons reminded the Varian brothers of the dance called the Rhumba. Jokingly they called the device the "Rhumbatron." Then, to put a proper professional beared of dignity on the invention, they called in a professor of Greek. But he reported that though Rhumba might be a dance to them, it actually was a good Greek word for rhythm and motion. A perfect description, the name stuck, and we have "Rhumbatron." But more important, we have a vast new land of exploration in electrical communication.

Pensions And Democracy

The House of Commons has accepted the proposal to set up a pension fund for members of Parliament who, in later life, may be in need. The fund is to be financed by the deduction of £1 a month from the salary of every member, and as it will make no call upon the national purse, the slight opposition that was raised against it was based on old-fashioned prejudices. Mr. Duff Cooper, for instance, said it would lessen the dignity of the House. The debate was chiefly remarkable for a short speech by the Prime Minister which must have been reassuring to those who feared that personal contact with the dictators had corrupted his democratic principles. Mr. Chamberlain supported the project. Though the members of the House, he said, were strongly opposed on political questions, they felt their membership of a common institution in which they took pride, believing it to be the principal part of a system of government in which they all believed. "If," he added, "someone were to say, 'I can offer you a new system of government under which the whole control should be in the hands of a single party, even if it were but own party, we should reject it.' For sooner or later, it must give rise to open revolt and revolution".

FIGHTING STILL GOES ON OUTSIDE MADRID

MIAJA PURGE OF OFFICERS

Paris, To-day.

Although General Miaja has succeeded in getting control of the situation in Madrid, itself he has been unable so far to dislodge the Communists from strongly entrenched positions in the western suburbs of Canillejas and Barajas.

Fierce fighting has been going on in these suburbs and in the neighbourhood of Prado Palace since Sunday morning.

The Communist troops consist of large sections of the first and second Republican Army Corps.

In spite of several appeals to surrender made by the Defence Junta they are continuing to hold out with great stubbornness in their besieged positions.

OFFICERS PURGED

The same fate seems to have befallen Communists in other parts of the Republican zone where General Miaja is faced with the task of breaking down their last desperate efforts at resistance.

Valencia is reported to be completely under the control of the Defence Junta.

Early yesterday morning reports were reaching here from the Republican front about an outbreak of fighting among the troops, many

of whom are in strong sympathy with the Communist revolt.

VALENCIA QUIET

The position appears to be, at present, that parts of the front line are held in succession by General Miaja's troops and by the Communists with the result that internecine warfare is taking place all down the line.

General Miaja has issued an order depriving all Communist officers of their commissions.—Trans-Ocean.

WHITE PAPER

London, To-day.

In the House of Commons yesterday, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, promised to issue a White Paper at an early date containing messages regarding the Balfour Declaration conveyed to the Arabs in 1918.—Reuter.

MADRID BACK TO NORMAL

Madrid, To-day.

Completely normal conditions returned to Madrid yesterday.

Besides the trams, which resumed on Sunday, tube trains from east to west are again working.

Shops have re-opened and women are standing outside bakers' shops for their daily loaf of bread, after three or four days without bread.

Theatres and cinemas have also re-opened.—Reuter.

FRENCH AIR GAMES

Paris, To-day.

The large French air defence manoeuvres which have been going on the whole week in the lower Pyrenees department along the National Spanish frontier were concluded yesterday with a large scale "attack" by the French air force on the various cities in this district.

It is announced that the results of the manoeuvres were satisfactory.—Trans-Ocean.

The s.s. "Corfu," expected to arrive here from Singapore at 2 p. m. to-morrow is to sail for Shanghai at 10 a. m. on Friday.

SEARCH FOR I.R.A. SUPPORTERS

London, To-day.

A large detachment of plain-clothes detectives and uniformed police force again undertook a thorough house-to-house search of the Irish districts in the southeast and southwest of London discovering another well-bidden storage of explosives.

In spite of the intensive search the police were able to arrest only one person on suspicion of being in close contact with the Irish plotters.—Trans-Ocean.

YUGO-SLAV DEFENCE

Belgrade, To-day.

The new finance bill laid before the Skupshtina yesterday creates a special fund for national defence for which three and half milliard dinars are asked to be provided within the next 10 years.

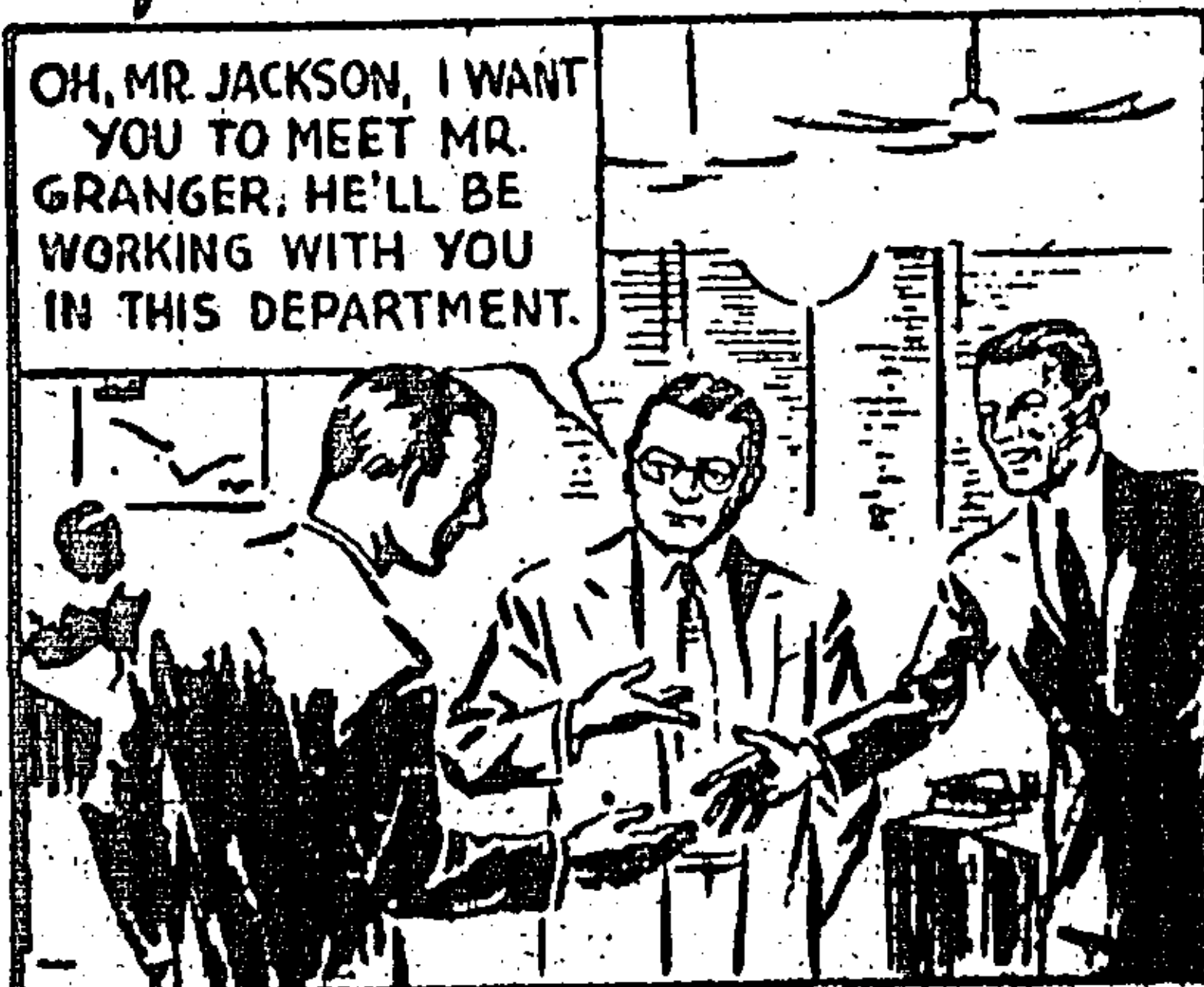
The debate on the bill will commence in the course of this week.—Trans-Ocean.

NATIONAL SERVICE IN AUSTRALIA

Melbourne, To-day.

The Premier of Victoria has announced the appointment of a National Service Emergency Service Committee to evolve protective measures for the civil population.—Reuter.

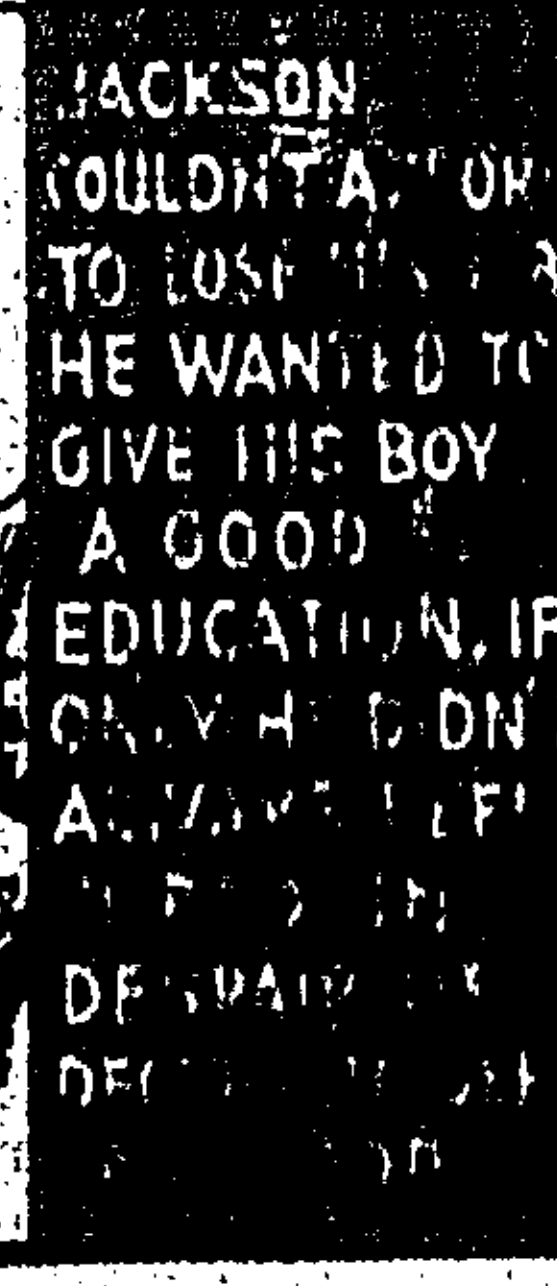
His child's future nearly ruined
by **NIGHT STARVATION**



OH, MR JACKSON, I WANT YOU TO MEET MR. GRANGER. HE'LL BE WORKING WITH YOU IN THIS DEPARTMENT.



(THINKS)
A NEW MAN! THAT MEANS THEY ARE GOING TO SACK SOMEBODY AND IT'S BOUND TO BE ME. MY WORK HASN'T BEEN TOO GOOD LATELY.



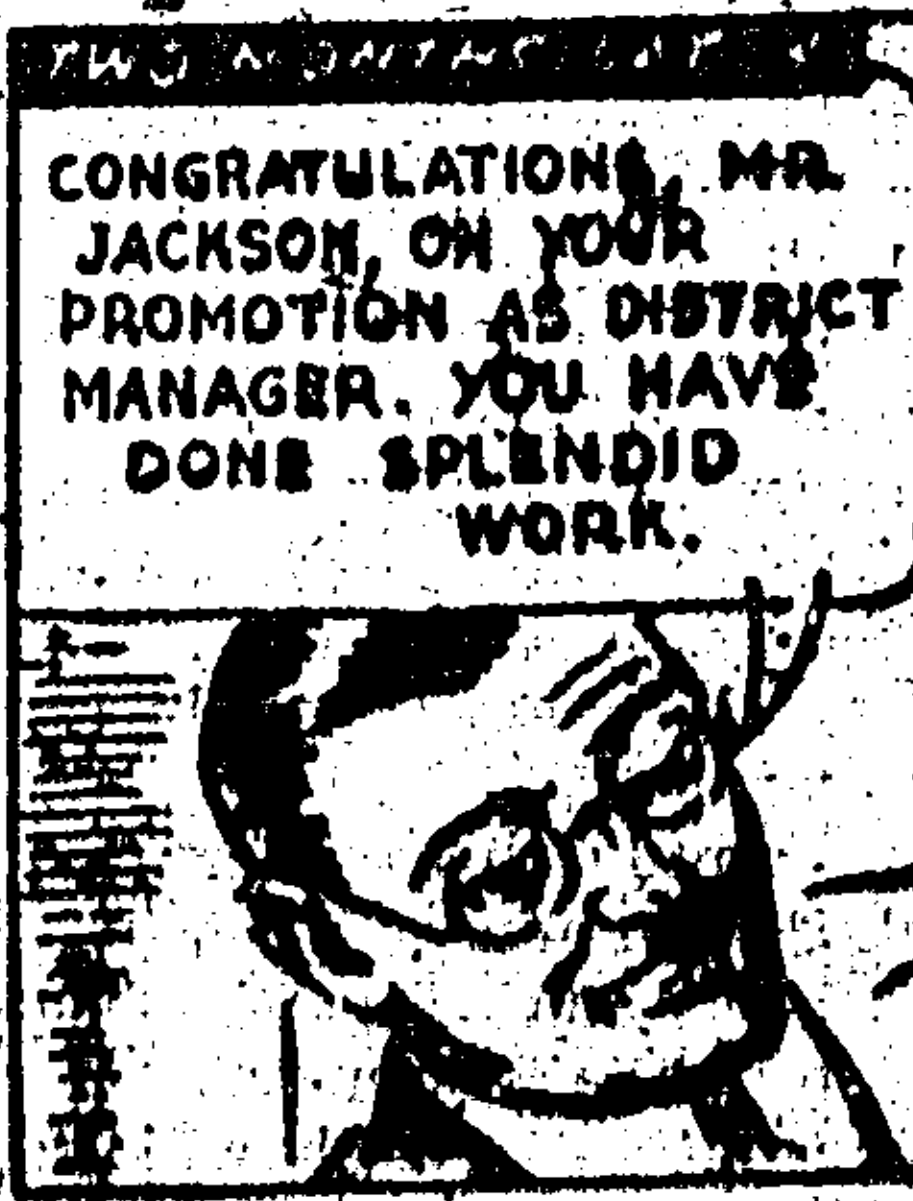
JACKSON COULDN'T AFFORD TO LOSE HIS JOB. HE WANTED TO GIVE HIS BOY A GOOD EDUCATION. IF ONLY HE HADN'T A WAKE UP.



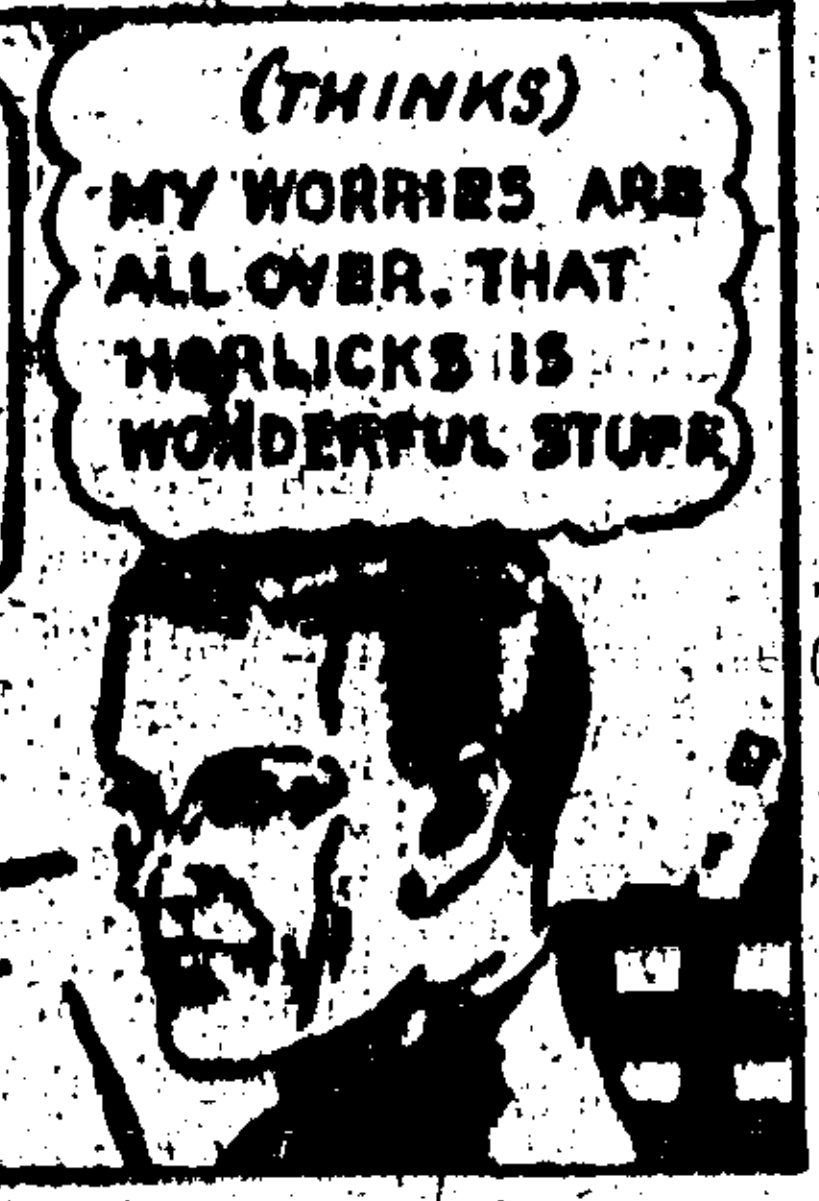
THERE IS NOTHING EXACTLY WRONG WITH ME, JACKSON. IT HOLDS YOU BACK AT YOUR WORK WE CALL THIS NIGHT STARVATION. I WAKE UP. YOU SEE, YOU ARE NOT REPLACING USED-UP ENERGY DURING SLEEP. HORLICKS REGULARLY AT BEDTIME FOR YOU.



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SITUATION IN BRATISLAVA GETTING OUT OF HAND

Series Of Bomb Explosions Throughout City

The situation in Bratislava late last night was more strained than at any time during the present crisis.

Events during the night included clashes between Czech police and Slovak demonstrators, and a series of bomb explosions throughout the city. Bombs exploded outside the Coburg Palace, at the Jesuit Monastery (the residence of Premier Tiso), in a German newspaper building and at other places.

ORDER NOT YET RESTORED IN CANTON

CANTON, TO-DAY. BELIEVING THAT IT IS PARTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CRIME WAVE, THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES HAVE BEGUN TO TACKLE THE QUESTION OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN CANTON.

According to semi-official statistics, no less than two-thirds of the population are without work, and how they live is a puzzle.

Of those with work, the majority are employed by the Japanese military in rehabilitation.

Several thousands of unemployed, however, are expected to have jobs shortly following formation of a large Sino-Japanese concern which intends to establish a number of factories.

BOLD ROBBERY

More medical clinics have been opened in various parts of the city for the poorer classes, who are being urged with handbills and posters to avail themselves of free inoculation against smallpox, cholera, and so on.

The crime problem is still causing the Japanese much anxiety. An extremely bold robbery occurred during the busiest part of the day when three armed men forced their way into a house within a stone-throw of Shakee Road, facing Shameen.

They bound all the occupants, ransacked the premises for money and jewellery and calmly walked away after collecting all the valuables they could lay their hands on.—Reuter.

DECLARATION TO THE SEVEN

London, To-day. The terms of a message about the Balfour Declaration, communicated by Commander Hogarth to King Hussein in January, 1918, and of a message delivered in June, 1918, to certain prominent Arabs in Cairo about the future of the Arab territories, often described as "The Declaration of the Seven," are to be published in a White Paper at

All windows within a radius of a kilometre were smashed.

Splinters of a time bomb, exploding near the Danube Bridge connecting Slovakia with Austria, wounded a number of Slovaks.

SIX KILLED

Czech troops, says one German report (unconfirmed from any other source) fired at a crowd of demonstrators who had reassembled after having been dispersed with tear-gas.

Six were killed in clashes between Czech police and Slovaks. Two were killed in Theatre Square.

Dr. Mach, Director of Propaganda in the Slovak Government, was addressing a large meeting in Bratislava when Czech police dispersed the crowds.

NO CABINET CHANGE

Meanwhile the Czecho-Slovak Council of Ministers continued in session through the night, and in view of the gravity of the situation, the plan to make certain changes in the Cabinet has been abandoned.

(One of Hitler's demands was the dismissal of the Defence Minister and the Minister for Interior).

The Foreign Minister, Dr. Chvalkovsky, had an interview with President Hacha last night.

WORKING UP OPINION

Trans-Ocean messages from Berlin reveal that German press comment is growing steadily sharper, and that indignation is gradually being worked up all over the country.

The situation in Slovakia is giving way in news value to alleged attacks by Czech police on members of the German minority.

"Germans once more in distress" says the "Lokalanzeiger."

Other typical headings in the Nazi press are "Czech mob tears Swastika flag to pieces," "Brutal assaults," "Cheers for Benes."

The semi-official Nazi Foreign Office journal remains silent, but the Nazi Party "Voelkischer Beobachter" warns Prague against "new attacks on 350,000 people of the German race who are still living in Czecho-Slovakia."

The paper refers to "this intolerable situation for members of the German nation."

an early date.

A White Paper containing the famous McMahon-Hussein correspondence was issued ten days ago. — British Wireless.

F.B.I. BERLIN DELEGATES LEAVE

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE FEDERATION OF BRITISH INDUSTRIES INDUSTRIAL DELEGATION LEFT LONDON YESTERDAY MORNING FOR GERMANY.

Before leaving, Mr. Peter Bennett, President of the delegation, stated the F.B.I. delegates were meeting their German colleagues of the Reichsgruppe industries in Dusseldorf. They expected to have discussions lasting two or three days.

Objects of the meeting would be threefold:—

Firstly, to agree on general principles upon which collaboration could best take place between British and German industry to their mutual advantage and that of

QUINS TO MEET KING AND QUEEN

Ottawa, To-day.

Mr. Oliva Dionne, father of the quintuplets, has accepted the invitation of the Ontario Government for the quins to go to Toronto to meet the King and Queen.

The quins will be presented to Their Majesties on May 22 in the Lieutenant-Governor's chambers in the Legislative Buildings.—Reuter.

world trade,

Secondly, to settle upon a list of individual industries in the two countries which could most usefully start negotiations in the near future, and

Thirdly, to discuss difficulties which might be encountered in the working of agreements between British and German industries. — British Wireless.

Lord Halifax Defends Chamberlain Policy

London, To-day.

In a speech at a political demonstration at Sunderland last evening the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, expressed the considered opinion that there was no occasion during the past few years when British policy on a major international issue could have followed a different line from the one it had followed without grave risk of leading to a major European war.

He spoke strongly of the suggestion that the action of the British Government regarding Minorca constituted intervention in the Spanish Civil War. It was nothing of the kind.

The invitation to facilitate discussion between the opposing sides was a tribute to British impartiality, and the Government acted as they did to save human life.

The decision had been taken to attack Minorca, and there was no chance of its making any effective resistance or receiving relief—the only result must have been a further instalment of deep human suffering.

The British naval captain did not intervene or mediate. He was merely authorised to convey the Spanish negotiators, and the result was the saving of further useless sacrifice.

WHAT RECOGNITION MEANS

The British Government had thus rendered a service to peace and humanity which was appreciated by both sides.

He went on to explain the meaning of the recognition accorded to General Franco's Government.

Recognition did not mean approval of the form of Government recognised or the means by which it obtained power.

It meant simply that a certain government commanded the allegiance of a great majority of the inhabitants of that country, and was thus the authority with which other governments must have official contacts.

The Government, Lord Halifax declared, while working steadfastly for peace, would continue to take whatever steps were necessary to give the country the strength and

self-confidence its position and circumstances demanded. — British Wireless.

CZECHS ARREST 30 HUNGARIAN LEADERS

Budapest, To-day.

Thirty Hungarian political leaders have been arrested in Presov, in Slovakia, by the Czechs, according to the "Magyar Szag." All leaders of the Hlinka guards in that town have also been arrested, it is stated.

A clash broke out between Czech militia and the Hlinka Guards during which nine were seriously wounded. — Trans-Ocean.

KIDNAPPING IN N.T.

Kidnapping of the 19-year-old son of a pork dealer in Ping Shan District, New Territories, by eight armed men was reported to the police last night.

According to the pork dealer, Tang Hong, 44, residing at an house in Lo Fu-san, Ping Shan, at about 9 p.m. yesterday eight men, armed with a revolver, dagger and four mauls, entered his house, taking \$245 and kidnapping his son.

News Snack Bar

PEER'S HOME OPEN AS BILLETS

Although Lord Hailsham has asked questions regarding the scheduling of his country house at Hurstmonceux, Sussex, for the billeting of children in the event of war, he is "ready to co-operate to the utmost of his ability in a properly thought-out scheme."

The former Lord Chancellor emphasises this in a second letter to Hailsham Rural District Council.

After a canvasser had called on him, Lord Hailsham wrote to the council asking, among other things, the estimated approximate period of the stay of the children, whether they would be accompanied by a responsible person, and whether the Government proposed to undertake any liability for dilapidations to a house.



**GRAND DUKE RUNS MINIA-
TURE RAILWAY.**—Grand Duke Dimitri of Russia, a cousin of the late Tsar, who was one of the executors of Rasputin, and who is now living in Paris with his wealthy wife, has a hobby. In the cellar of his Paris home he has installed a large system of miniature electric railways, all constructed by himself. His hobby has cost him a million francs since he started a few years ago and everything is built to scale. Photo shows the Grand Duke Dimitri at work with a drill on his miniature railway system.

NO LAND-OWNERS' TAX

The Commons has refused to allow Mr. Herbert Morrison (L.C.C. chief) introduce a Bill aimed at taxing land-owners in the London county area.

At present the whole of the rates payable to local authorities in London are raised from occupiers—ordinary citizens, residents, shopkeepers, business undertakings. The Bill proposed to relieve the burden of these ratepayers and place part of the burden on those who at present bear none—the land-owners. It hoped to produce £3,000,000 equal to a reduction of 1s. in the county rate.

BOUQUET FOR SCOTSMEN

"The Scots of to-day are, taken as a whole a very practical people, and imaginative formalism does not assert easily with straightforward practicality." That verdict on the Scottish race was pronounced in London by Professor D. Talbot Rice a professor at Edinburgh University.

WOULD HAND OVER HOUSE

The council sent copies of his letters to the Ministry of Health but the Ministry, it was learned yesterday will not be able to give explicit answers on all points.

Presumably children will be billeted for the duration of war.

Children will travel with their teachers, and voluntary helpers will look after them.

The legal problems of liability for damage to billets are being considered.

Lord Hailsham said last night:

"I raised the question of dilapidations because I had thought about what might happen in my case in the event of war."

"It is possible that my wife would be away with her Auxiliary Territorial Service, my daughter would be away with her school, and my son would, naturally, be with the Army. I should be in London, doing whatever I could."

"I thought that in those circumstances it might be possible for me to arrange with the Ministry that my furniture should be stored, and that they should take over the running of the house. I should just let them have it."

PLAN FOR DOCTORS

Before outbreak of hostilities, or as soon after as possible, a large quantity of equipment and as many as possible of the nursing and medical staff will be moved from hospitals in large towns to hospitals in safe districts.

Announcing this to a meeting of representatives of the medical profession in London yesterday, the Minister of Health (Mr. Walter Elliot) said that hospitals near probable objects of attack were so vulnerable as to be available only for the initial reception of casualties.

In each of twelve civilian defence regions to be set up in war time, the Ministry would have a large local staff. A register covering 96 per cent. of the medical profession had been compiled.

43,302 NATIONAL SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

Applications received in connection with National Service in greater London up to February 11 was 43,302, according to official statements.



TRAVELLING AIRPORT GETS A TRIAL.—A revolutionary airport in miniature on wheels for use by passenger and military machines for quick assistance when stranded has been invented by Mr. Kibbey Couse of New Jersey, U.S. It is capable of turning any cow pasture into an airport complete with machine shop, floodlights and radio equipment. This machine can travel at 45 m.p.h. even over rough ground. It carries a full kit of tools, lathe and welding outfit as well as a crane. The cruising airport weighs 12 tons and can practically rebuild a plane on the spot. Photo shows a novel view of the travelling airport showing how it is constructed to negotiate rough and broken ground. The sides can be opened to reveal the workshops.

ANOTHER REFUGEE BATCH ARRIVES

Fifty-four more German refugees, children this time, arrived in London in the Polish steamer Warszawa after a rough crossing. They came direct from Poland.

"HILL 60" V.C. IS BRIGADIER

Colonel G. R. P. Roupell, the Hill 60 V.C., is to command the 31st (Surrey) Territorial Brigade (temporary rank of Brigadier), from October 2 next.

Colonel Roupell was a lieutenant at Hill 60, Ypres, in April, 1915. With a company of East Surreys he held, although wounded, a vital sector until relieved the company was almost wiped out.

CLEOPATRA COIN FETCHES £11 10S.

A relic of the time of Mark Antony and Cleopatra (36 B.C.) was sold in London, a small Asiatic-Greek silver coin, struck at Antioch in Syria, for their secret marriage. It was sold for £11 10s.

IT'S STRANGERS WHO DRINK

Drunkenness in Burton-on-Trent, the metropolis of beer, more than doubled last year. There were forty-seven convictions, compared with twenty-two in 1937. It is necessary to go back to pre-war days to find a parallel.

Superintendent H. G. Heath, the police chief, says it is due to strangers coming into the town to find employment. Several large local firms have been closed down, and the unemployed are looking for work.

CITY FROM WASTE LAND

Colonel K. C. Appleyard, chairman of the North Eastern Trading Estate, in London said that the 300-acre Team Valley Estate, near Gateshead, had been transformed from waste land to a modern industrial city. In two years it had attracted 125 industries, and employment had increased by 1,050 in the last six months.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

Heard in London police courts yesterday:—

Defendant at Highgate: I was not drunk. It was the tests they put me that made me look silly.

Man at Ealing: My wife's got something up her sleeve. You can't tell me that she's going to stand in the witness-box and say nothing without she's got something up her sleeve.

Same man again: I did everything in my power to save my wife going to the police station. I could not help thinking how terrible it would be to see her looking round the charge room door.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

From London's police courts:—
Cyclist at Wimbledon: I knew there was a railway detective nearby, I could hear him shunting.

Police-Constable at Wimbledon: I went up to the woman who was driving, but before I had time to speak she said: "I am going to get me this time!"
Woman at Wimbledon: I had no money to pay for my ticket, but the conductor said he would let me go.

"I suppose
I'm
fussy . .

... but I don't see why, at my age, I should put up with second-best! . . For instance, I'm fond of the theatre; but, believe me, I'd rather stay away than see an indifferent play.



... So that's why, when you offered me whisky, I asked you to make mine a White Horse. "I daresay some men hold that one Scotch whisky is as good as another. Well, when they know as much about it as I do, they will think differently."

WHITE HORSE
Whisky

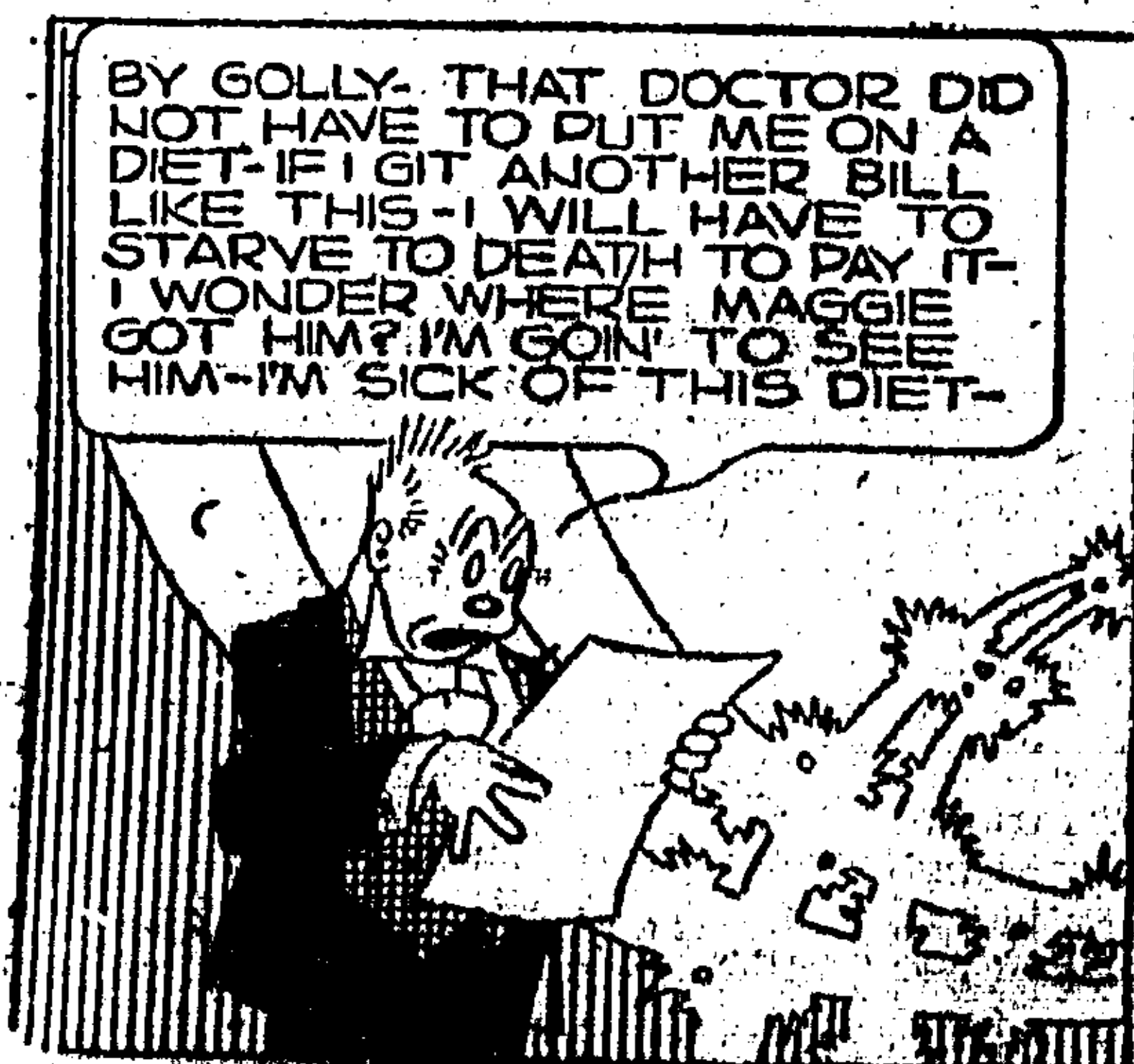
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EWO
BEER

Bringing Up Father



BY GOLLY. THAT DOCTOR DID NOT HAVE TO PUT ME ON A DIET-IF I GOT ANOTHER BILL LIKE THIS-I WILL HAVE TO STARVE TO DEATH TO PAY IT- I WONDER WHERE MAGGIE GOT HIM? I'M GOING TO SEE HIM-I'M SICK OF THIS DIET-



I'D LIKE TO SEE THE DOCTOR-I WANT TO PAY A BILL-

HE'S EATING LUNCH-BUT-I KNOW HE'D STOP RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF AN OPERATION TO SEE ANYONE WHO WANTED TO PAY A BILL-THIS WAY- PLEASE-



JAMES-BRING ME MORE GRAVY AND POTATOES-NOW FOR DESSERT I'LL HAVE ICE CREAM AN' SLIP AN APPLE PIE UNDER IT-



I'LL PAY YER BILL LATER-DOCTOR-

RADIO VOICE WA

Bearings Given From Distance Of Eight Miles

A radio voice warning approaching ships of dangerous rocks ahead is the latest wonder device for saving life at sea.

It is to be tried out on the Clyde lighthouse, on the island of Little Cumbrae.

On approaching the lighthouse, ships will get their bearings from nearly eight miles away.

Then, as they reach the three-mile range, Navigation officers will hear a voice coming eerily through the fog telling, slowly and distinctly, the ship's distance in cables from the rocks.

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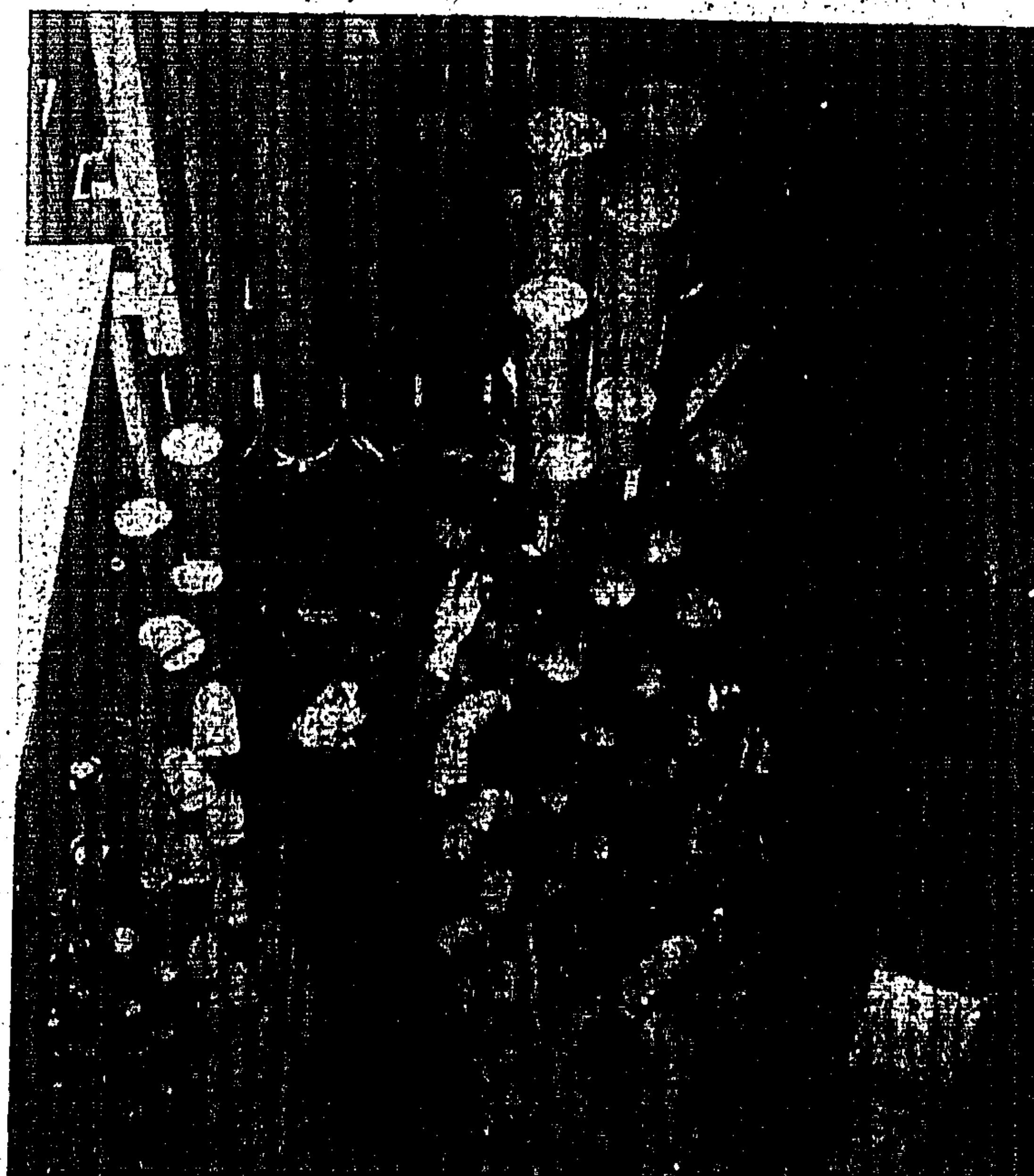
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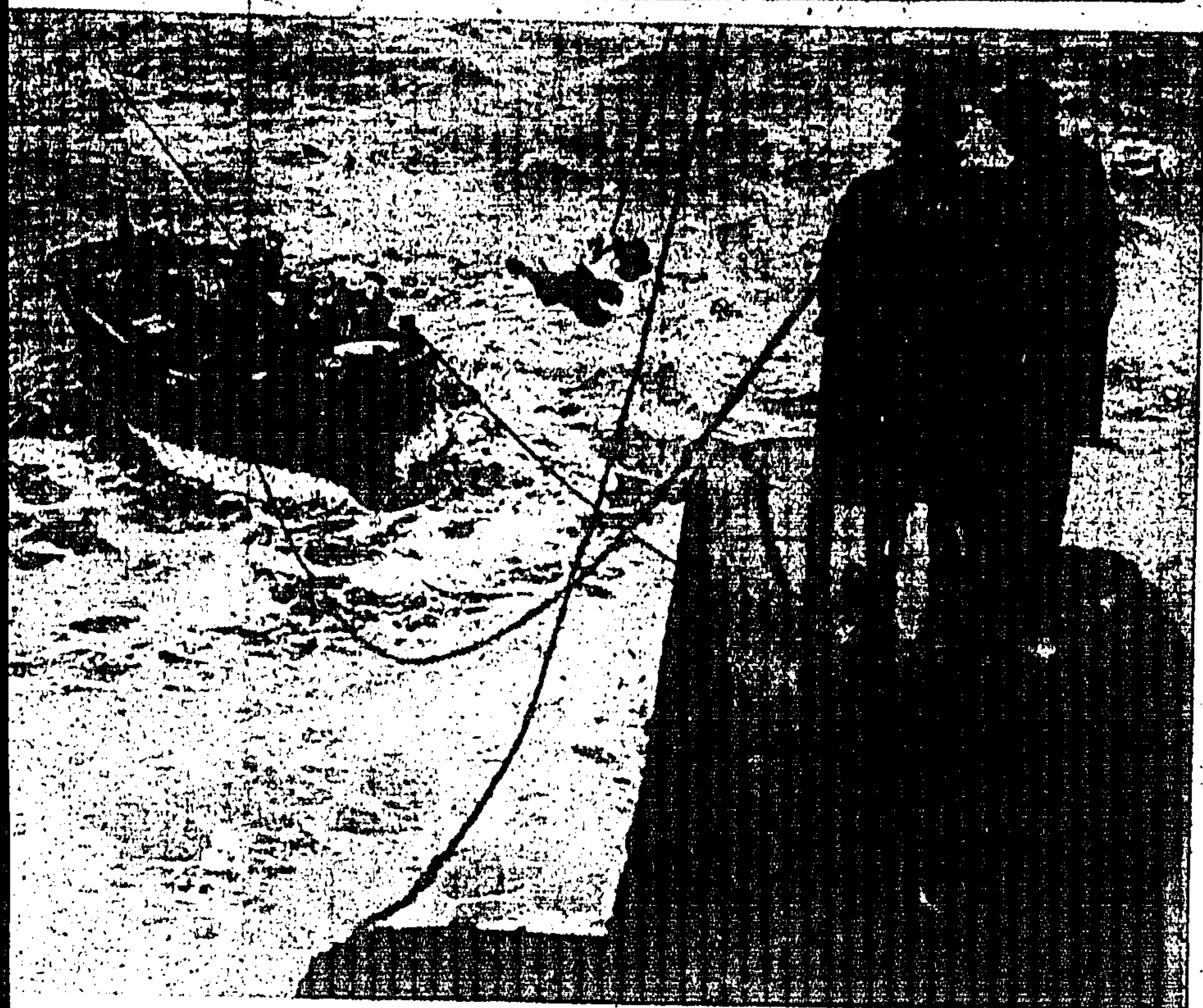
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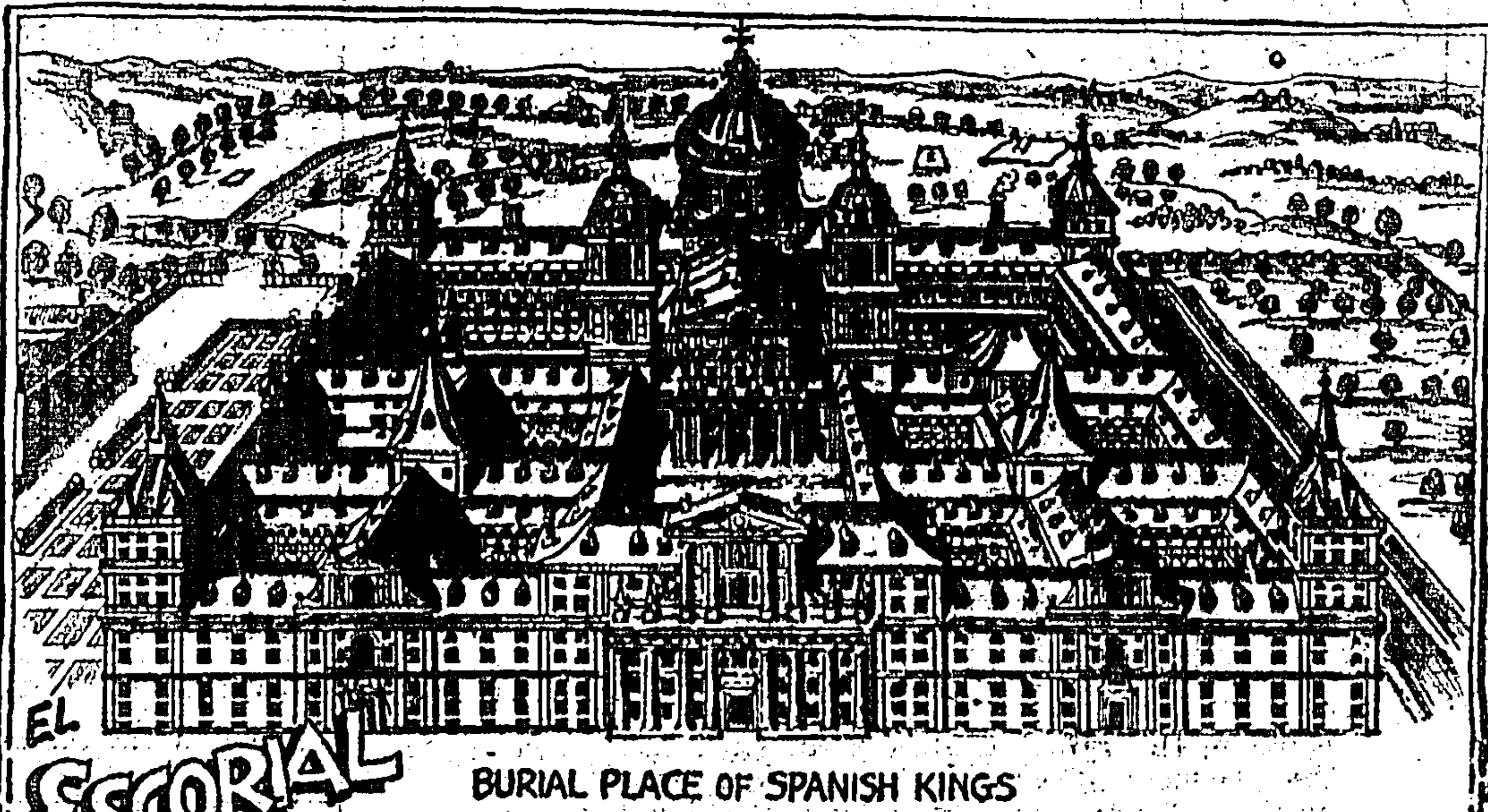
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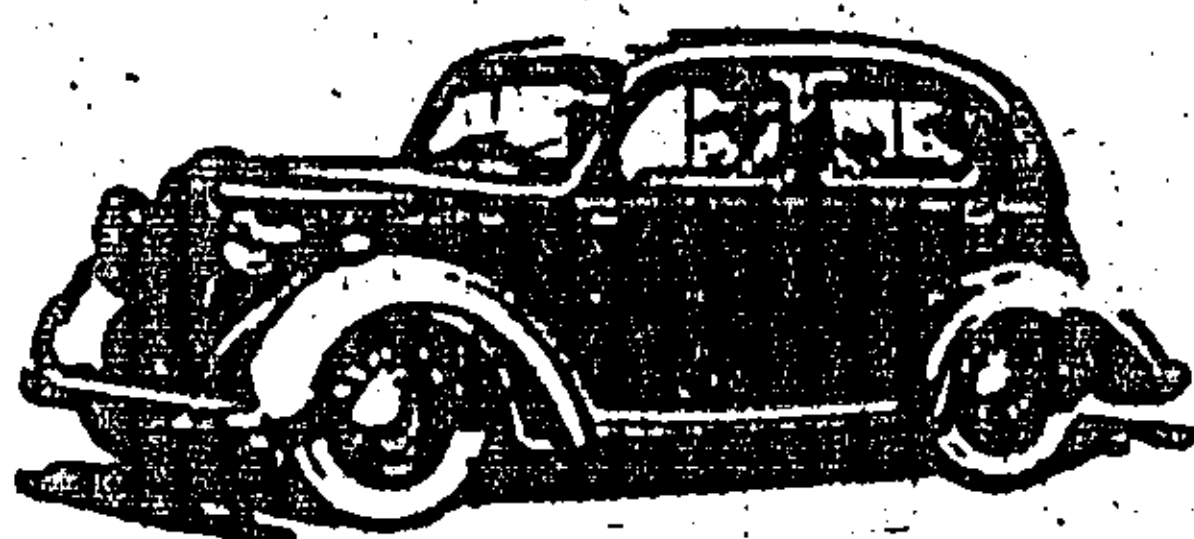
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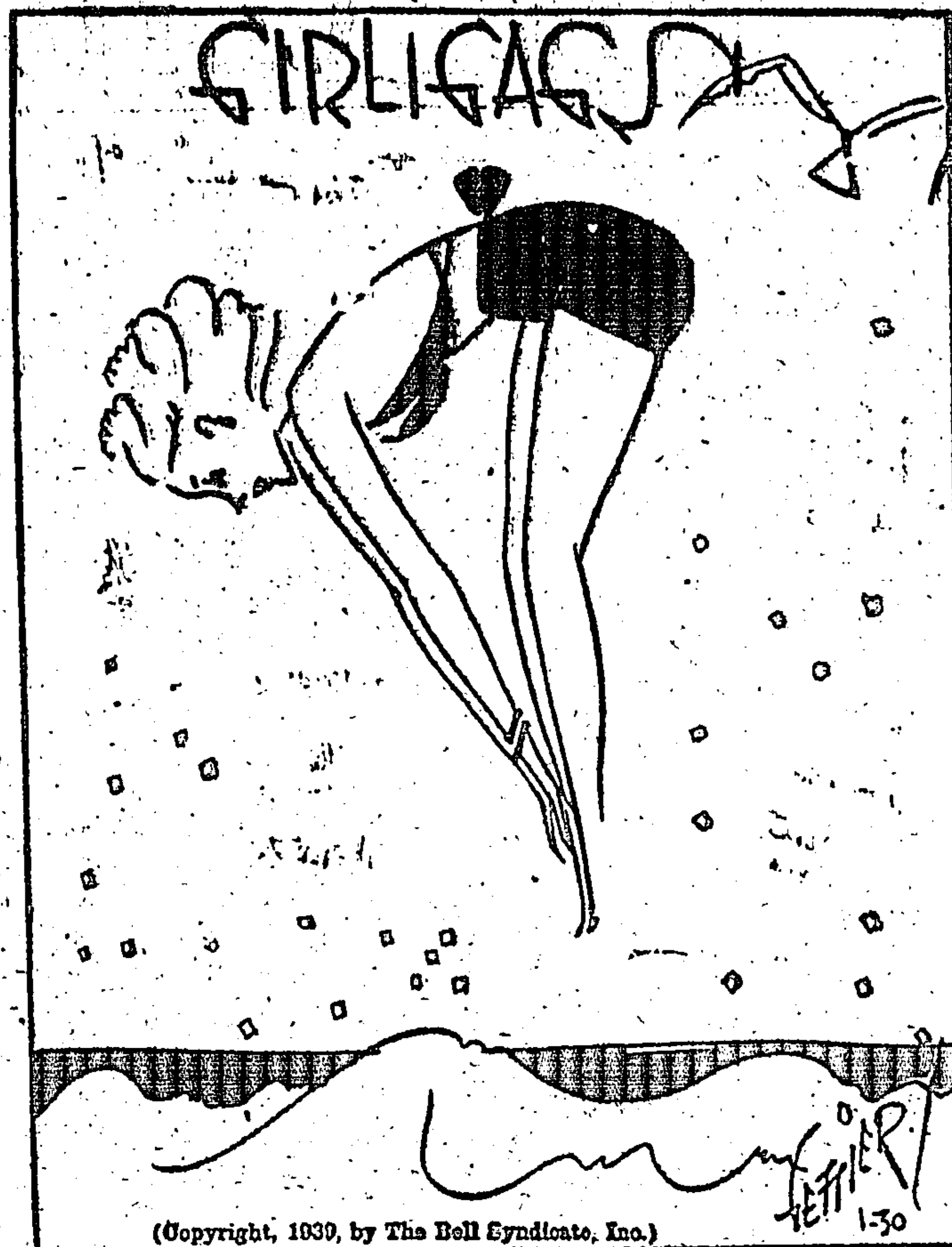
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His muscles should be relaxed, his baby mind at ease, and his little body clean and kept snugly warm in a well ventilated room. So if hugging a toy makes him happy, let him have it, providing there are no sharp edges to cut him or no danger of eye injury.

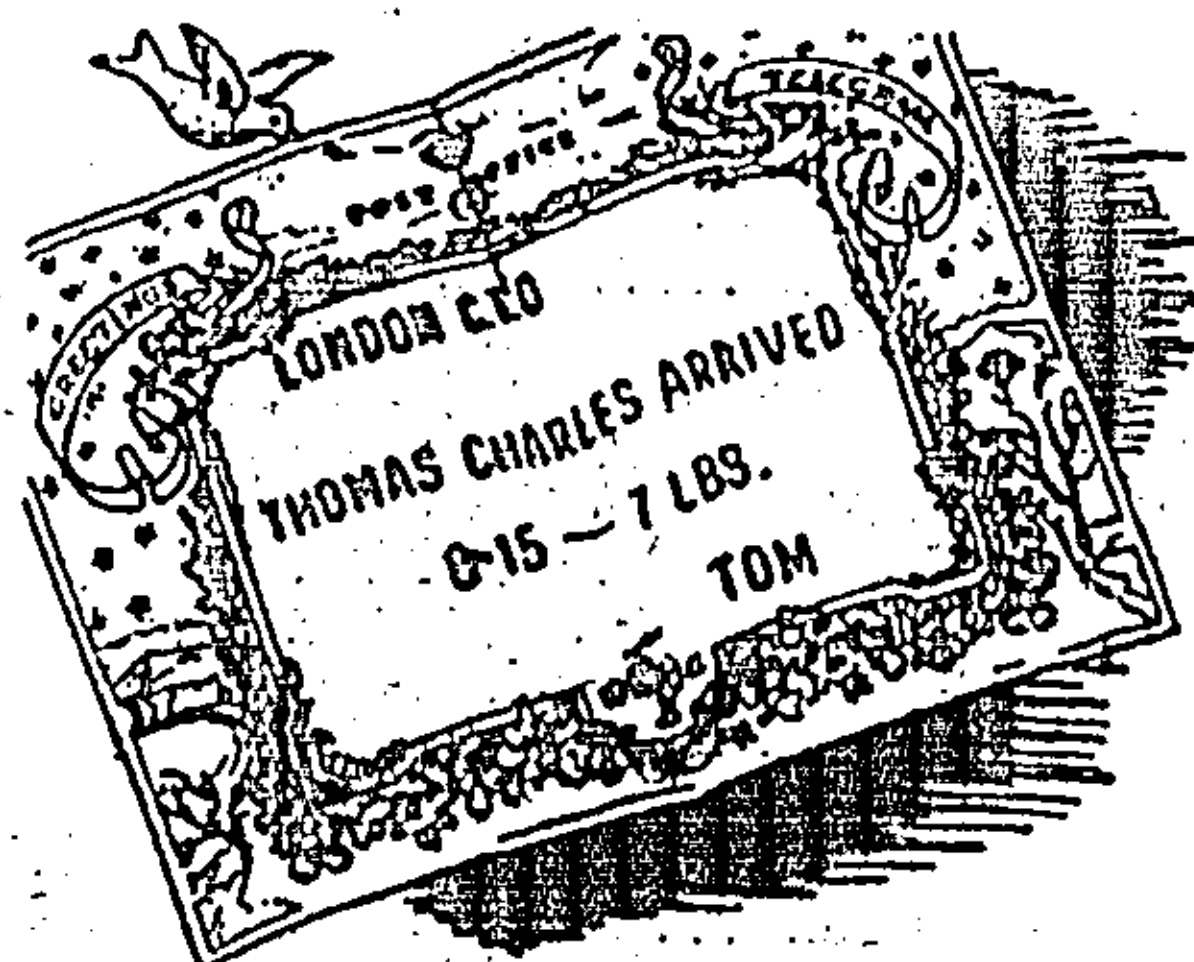
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men, that is if you are an earnest mother. Then you must help him to look forward to bedtime and do your best to make his sleeping hours greatly beneficial to his future happiness.

Bathe away the day's soil and anoint his skin with an oil or cream if it is inclined to be dry or sensitive. Brush the dust out of his hair and give his wee head a soothing finger massage for a moment or two.

See that his mattress is comfortable, his bed long enough for his stretching, growing body, and allow him the pleasure of fresh, clean bed linen! Too frequently mothers fail in keeping their children's bed invitingly fresh and then wonder why a sensitive child dislikes to crawl into it come time for sleep!

His covers should be warm but not heavy. Pure woollen blankets,

if you can afford them, but not too many to weigh down on his relaxed body. Fresh air, by all means! And heat turned off.

Teach him to look forward to a regular evening hour when he must kiss the family goodnight and scamper off to bed! Be tactful when he whines and urges to stay up later, for it is pretty important that he close his eyes in a happy rather than a troubled mood. If he can close his eyes while he is still smiling he will get more benefit from his sleep.

If he fears the dark you must do your best to dispel that fear. That is why I advocate the comforting toy to hug! Assure him that you are near by, going to bed in the dark yourself very soon, and if it is possible, say or do something which will make him laugh heartily just before you close his door and say goodnight!

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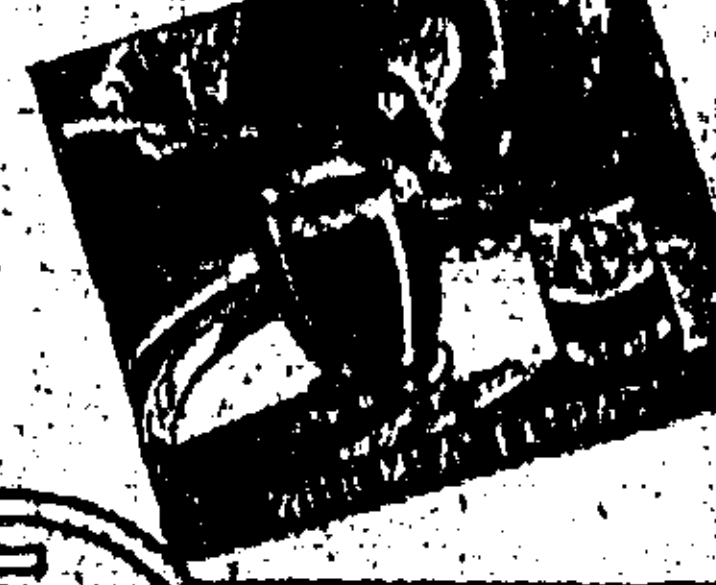
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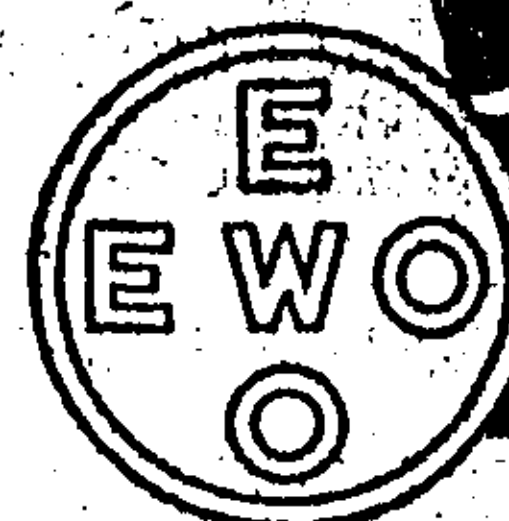
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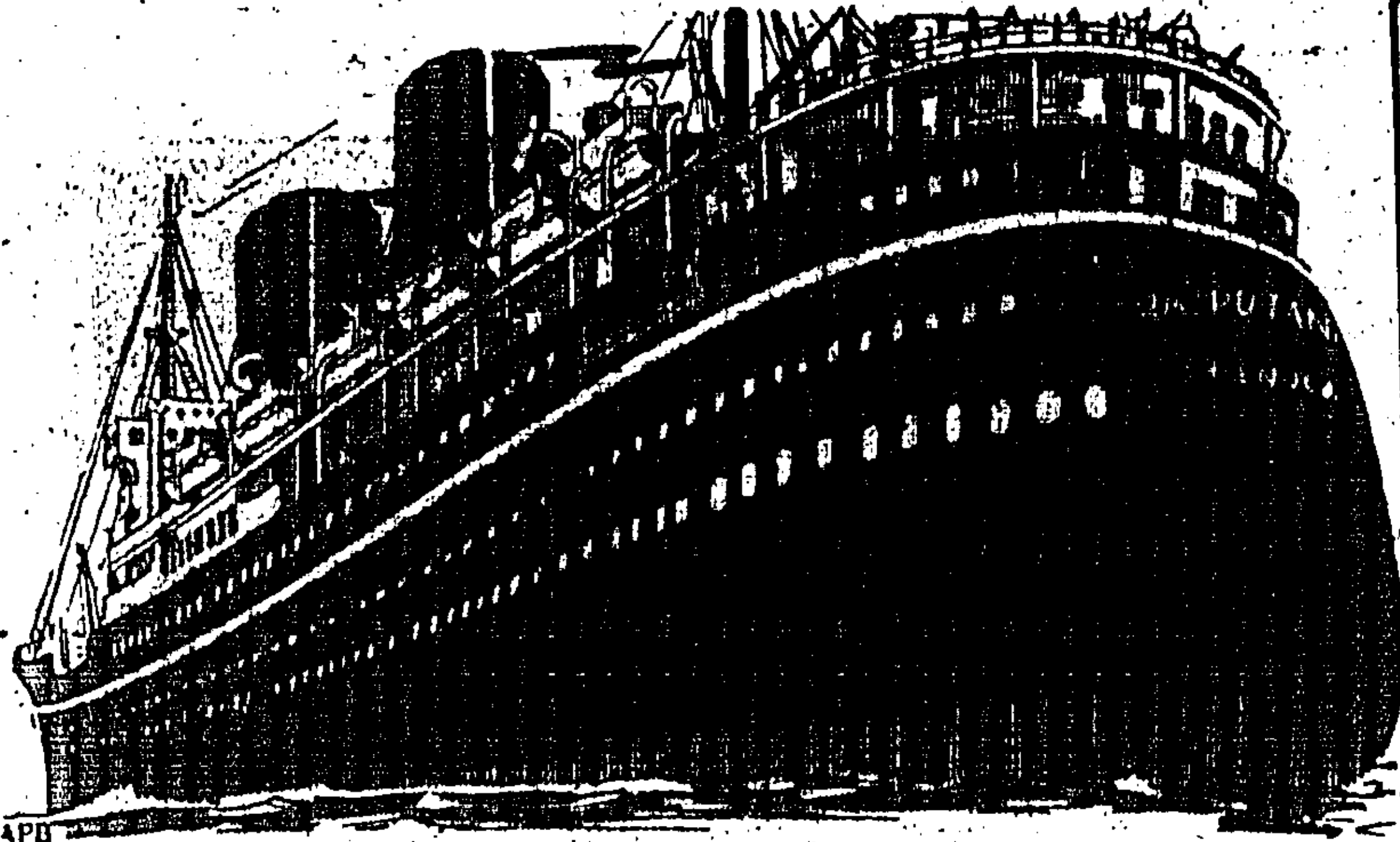


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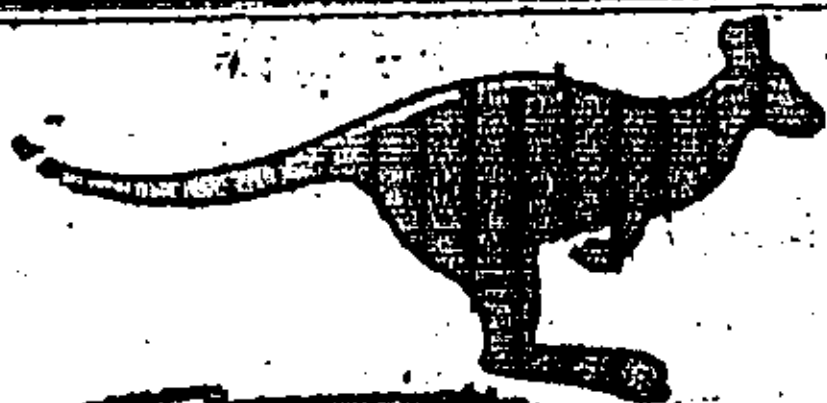
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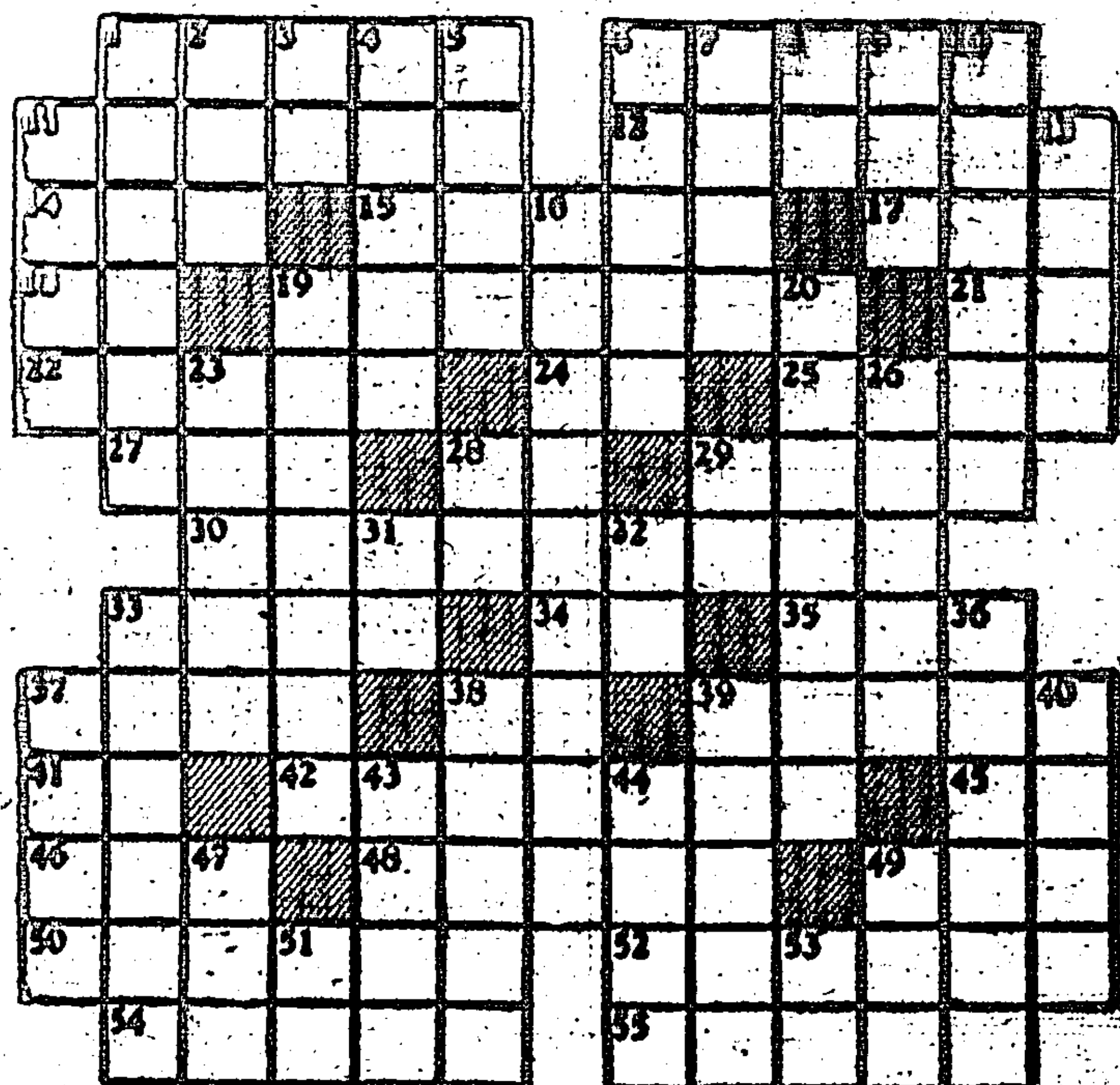
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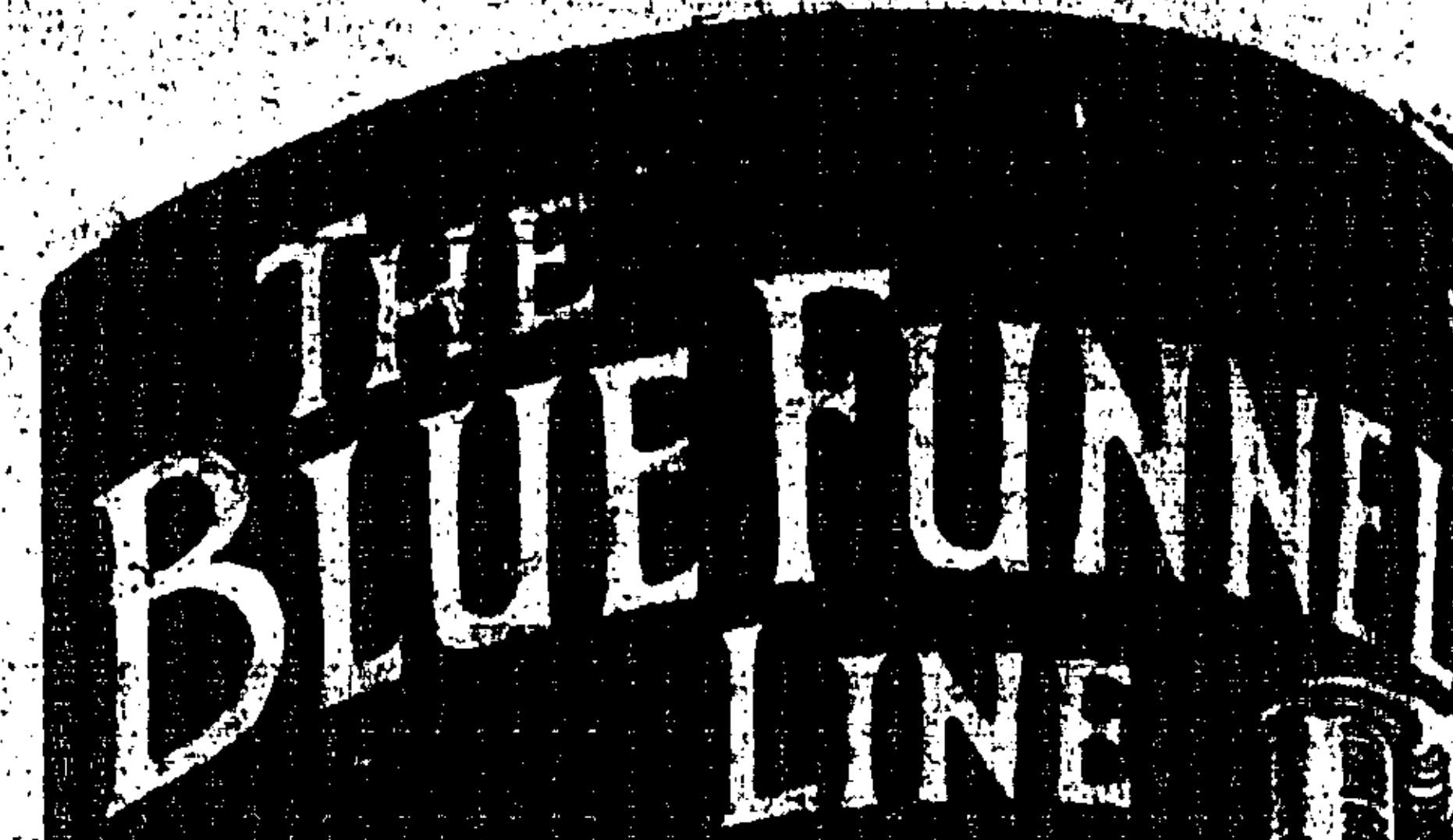
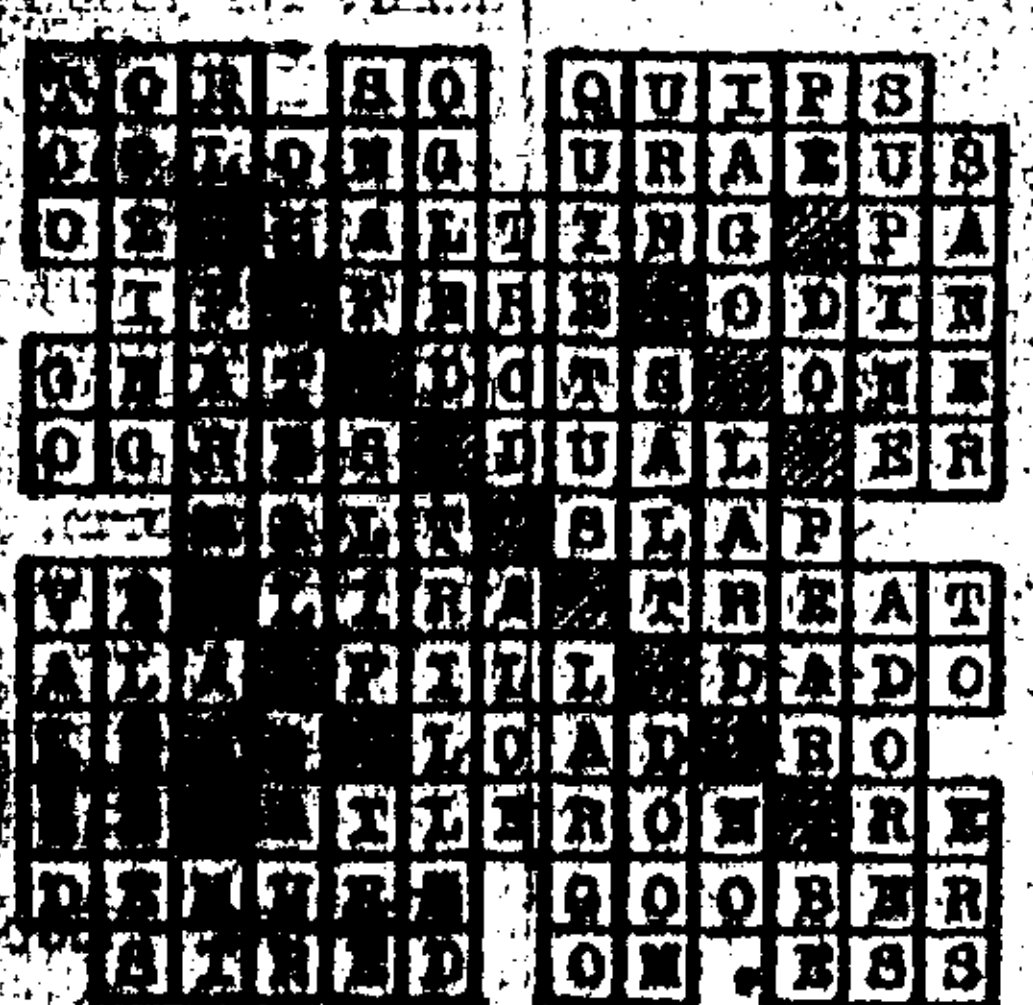
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- 1 Conclusive
- 6 Gastropoda
- 11 Branchlike
- 12 Courtyards
- 14 Serpent
- 15 Unspoken
- 17 Word of disapproval
- 18 Pronoun
- 19 Testified
- 21 Greek letter
- 23 Latin
- 24 Compass
- 25 Desserts
- 27 Shore bird
- 28 Mouth
- 29 To slip
- 30 Openings
- 33 Allowance
- 34 Waste
- 35 Shell
- 36 As
- 37 As
- 38 As
- 39 As
- 40 As

VERTICAL

- 1 More firm
- 2 Demon
- 3 Japanese drama
- 4 Fall flower
- 5 To spring
- 6 Thorn
- 7 Retent
- 8 Guido's low note
- 9 Plate
- 10 Earthen
- 11 To scold
- 13 Old French coin
- 16 To force
- 19 Most profound
- 20 Strips
- 23 Fruits
- 26 Early Roman boxing glove (pl.)
- 28 Conjunction
- 29 Symbol for argent
- 31 Latin: also
- 32 Guido's low note
- 33 Buddhist gates
- 36 Debates
- 37 To defeat
- 38 To eliminate
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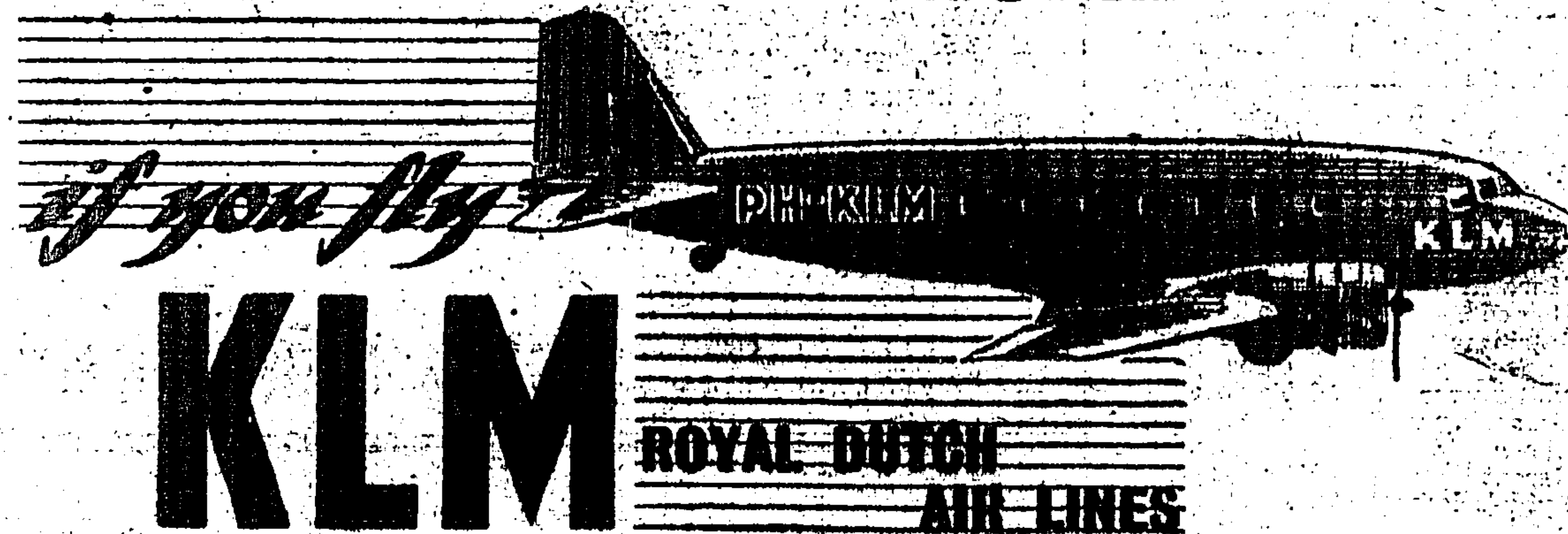
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BRITONS LAY WREATH IN BERLIN

Berlin, To-day.

A deputation representing the British Imperial War Graves Commission yesterday laid a wreath on the memorial to British prisoners who died in Germany during the Great War.

A service was held in Paris yesterday in memory of French prisoners who died in France, at which the third son of the ex-Kaiser attended.

It was the first occasion since the War when a member of the Hohenzollern family had visited France.

SOVIET'S "RESTLESS NEIGHBOURS"

Moscow, To-day.

Defiance was hurled at the Fascist countries at the 18th Congress of the Communist Party by M. Andraev, Secretary of the Central Executive Committee.

M. Andraev declared that Russia's "restless neighbours" had felt the strength of the Soviet.

The defence forces of the Soviet, he added, were now stronger as a result of the "routing of spies and diversionists."

H.K. FIRE INSURANCE DIVIDEND

The General Managers and Consulting Committee of The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., will recommend at the forthcoming Meeting of Shareholders to be held on the 24th March, the payment on account of the year 1937 of a Dividend of \$12 per share absorbing \$480,000; to pass the balance of \$15,866.61 to the credit of Reinsurance Fund and to carry forward \$762,452.20 in respect of the year 1938.

PORTUGUESE FOUND SHOT IN HEAD

A MIDDLE-AGED PORTUGUESE RESIDENT OF KOWLOON IS NOW LYING IN THE KOWLOON HOSPITAL SUFFERING FROM THE EFFECTS OF A GUNSHOT WOUND IN THE HEAD BELIEVED TO BE SELF-INFLICTED.

Beltrao was found by passer-by lying in Saikung Road near Customs Pass in the early hours of yesterday morning and subsequently removed to hospital.

Beltrao, who was formerly employed by Messrs. Messageries Maritimes, is stated to have been out of work for some time.

Up to a short time ago he is believed to have lived with relatives in Homuntin, but recently moved into lodgings in 542 Nathan Road where he occupied a back room.

WENT OUT

He is said to have been ill recently but at about midnight on Sunday, he dressed and told fellow-lodgers that he intended going out for some food. Not until the Police visited the flat on Monday morning did they learn of Beltrao's condition.

Inquiries made by the Police revealed that Beltrao had taken out a licence for a Brevette revolver in 1924. No trace of this weapon could, however, be found near the scene of his discovery and an intensive search is being carried out.

Inquiries at the Kowloon Hospital this morning elicited the information that Beltrao was "quite alright."

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2.25/32. "Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20-9/16 and forward at 20.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.69.18 and the New York—London rate at £—U.S.\$4.69-3/16.

Mr. C. Leuhe, of the South China Morning Post Building, has reported that clothing to the value of \$75 was stolen from his offices between Saturday and yesterday.

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GERMAN 'PLANE' OUTPUT

Reported Slow-Up In Production

ALTHOUGH THERE HAS BEEN LATELY CONSIDERABLE CONTROVERSY REGARDING THE RELATIVE RATES OF AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION IN BRITAIN AND GERMANY, FRANCE IS THE ONLY COUNTRY WHICH HAS RECENTLY REVEALED OFFICIAL DETAILS OF ITS MONTHLY AEROPLANE OUTPUT.

M. Guy La Chambre, the French Air Minister, estimated the output last month as 80 aeroplanes and declared that this would be increased to 200 machines monthly by the spring.

Suggestions that the rate of British aircraft production already equals that of Germany appear optimistic.

Recent reports indicate that many German factories have slowed down their output. The Heinkel factory, one of the largest and best equipped aeroplane manufacturing plants in the world, is now working one eight-hour shift per day instead of two.

PRODUCTION DIFFICULTIES

The slowing down of German production may be due to difficulty in finding the money to buy materials that can only be obtained from abroad, or to inability to replace machinery in aircraft factories which is rapidly becoming worn out.

On the other hand, an experienced American observer who recently visited Germany has declared that the Germans have kept themselves fully informed of progress in other countries and consider it unnecessary to work their aircraft factories at full capacity to maintain the lead they have already established.

If this is correct, publicity regarding increase of output of aircraft recently attained in England might have the effect of stimulating production in Germany.

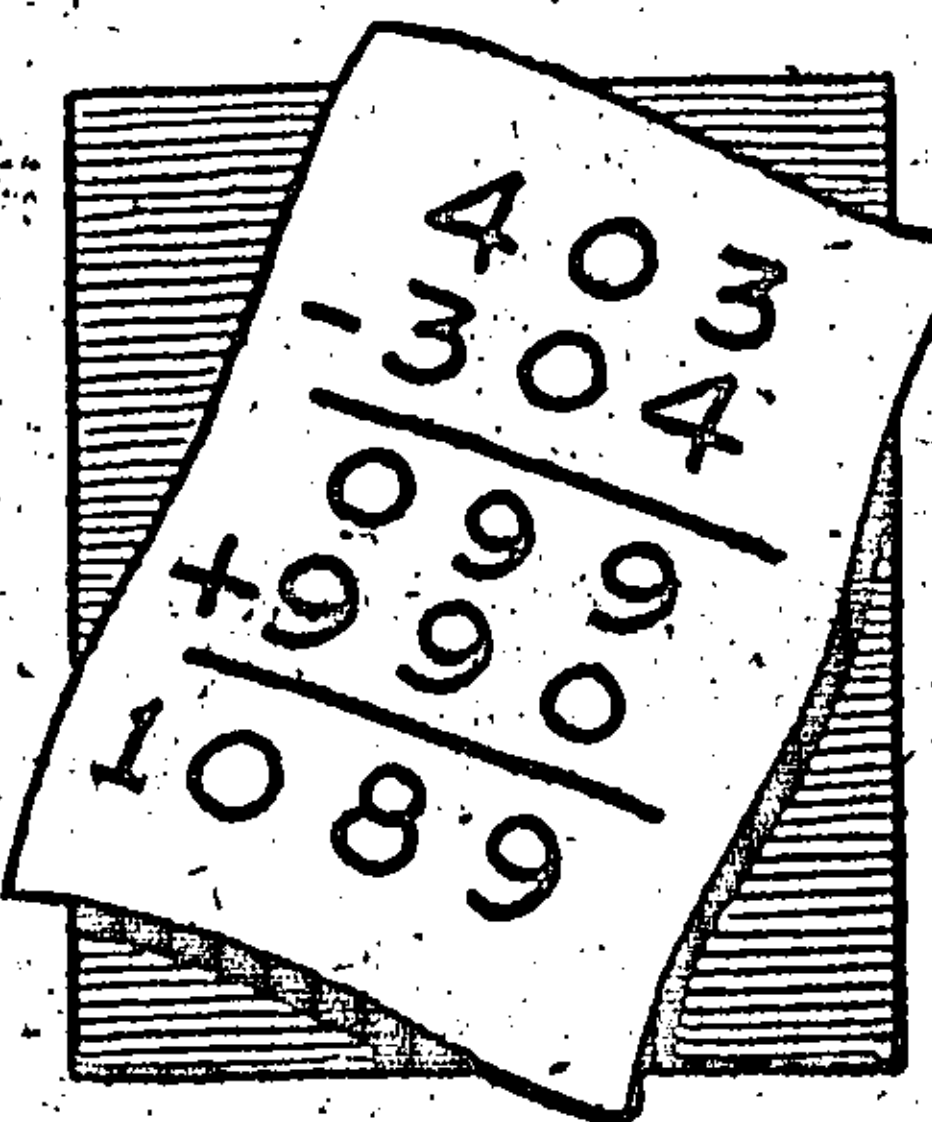
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Trick Numbers

ASK YOUR FRIENDS TO DO THE FOLLOWING: WRITE A NUMBER OF THREE DIFFERENT FIGURES. REVERSE THESE AND SUBTRACT THE SMALLER FROM THE LARGER.

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Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

1—editor.
2—The office clerk.

FAKIR BURIED FOR 10 MINUTES

DISTINGUISHED DOCTORS, LAYMEN AND WOMEN LEFT THEIR SEATS IN THE AUDITORIUM AT THE QUEEN'S HALL, AND THROUGED THE STAGE WHEN DR. TAHRA BEY, THE FAKIR AND PSYCHIC, GAVE A PERFORMANCE.

Dr. Tahra, who wore flowing white robes, had a 200lb stone broken on his body with a heavy hammer. Long needles were threaded through his flesh.

At a touch of his hand, a lively hen lay flat on its back, one food poisoned in the air, and was restored

to normal by a second touch some minutes afterwards. A rabbit was subjected to the same form of control, or 'animal-hypnotism.'

Dr. Tahra was buried alive in full view of the audience for 10 minutes, sand being heaped into the coffin which contained him and banked round the sides and surface. He emerged with little trace of the experience.

His most convincing feats were in the sphere of telepathy and thought transmission. A young woman at the back of the audience was told that she was a nurse by profession and that her thoughts were centred on an appointment to another hospital.

Dr. Tahra Bey was described on the programme as Founder of the Institute of Tahraism of Cairo, and as the world-famous Egyptian Fakir and Psychic. Throughout the evening his discourse with the audience was in French.

Dr. Alexander Cannon, of Harley-street, presided.

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Ladies' Interport Hockey

Players At Practice TO MEET REST OF COLONY SIDE NEXT SUNDAY

(By "STICKS")

THE 15 players selected to represent Hong Kong Ladies Hockey Association against Shanghai Ladies Hockey Association will have their first match together as a team next Sunday morning on a ground and time to be announced later.

They will oppose Rest of the Colony, a side which has already been selected and which contains one or two surprise items.

Rest's full-back division will comprise Miss E. Gray and Miss A. Fowler, who played together against Shanghai on the last occasion the two ports clashed, in 1936. The exclusion of Miss Fowler, who is one of the 15 players selected, from the team to meet the Rest comes as a surprise, for it looks as if Mrs. Wilmot has provisionally been selected to partner Miss G. White, in Shanghai.

PREFERENCE

There is the fact, however, that as there are 15 players, all cannot be accommodated in the same team, but at the same time it should be remembered that Miss Fowler's experience should have given her preference over Mrs. Wilmot.

Miss B. Greaves and Miss M. Booker, who are also members of the Interport squad, who will be playing for Rest of the Colony.

Miss June Hall, St. Andrew's custodian, will be between the sticks while the half-back trio will comprise Miss J. Booker, Miss J. Wong and Miss B. Greaves.

Miss J. Ewing and Miss M. Booker will be Rest's right-wing pair while Miss M. Shand and Miss J. Bradbury, will make up the left-wing. Miss Grieg, another Interport player, will lead the attack.

On Sunday, March 26, the Interport players will play a second practice match together, probably against one of the Caer Clark Cup teams or a selection of players from this division.



Mrs. Wilmot (Seaforths) left, and Miss A. Fowler ("Y" Ladies) right, are both left-backs and members of the Ladies' Interport hockey team to visit Shanghai. ("China Mail" photos).

England Need 201 Runs For Victory

EDRICH'S BRILLIANT DISPLAY: SCORES 219

Durban, To-day.

England are facing victory for the first time in the Fifth and Final Test match against South Africa as the result of yesterday's play when P. A. Gibb, of Yorkshire, and Edrich, of Middlesex, took the score from 253 for 1 to 447 for 3, the latter scoring a brilliant 219.

With Hammond and Paynter batting very cautiously, and only 201 runs needed for victory, England look like avenging their "Rubber" defeat at the hands of South Africa during the 1935 season.

A record partnership in Test matches between England and South Africa was established by Gibb and Edrich yesterday, when they brought the M.C.C. second innings score in the Final Test to 333 for 1 at lunch time.

The previous record was held by Sutcliffe and Tyldesley, whose partnership at Johannesburg in the 1927-28 tour produced 230 runs.

It was a glorious wicket which was rolled out well, although slightly worn in spots. Walter Hammond, M.C.C. captain, was in no mood to take any chances and warned spectators through a loud-speaker not to approach the wicket, which showed signs of cracking.

SLOW START

Edrich and Gibb were very slow at the start, only nine runs being scored in 30 minutes. Gibb reached his century in 362 minutes and had hit a five and two fours.

It took 310 minutes of batting to bring the total to 301. The partnership yielded 200 in 244 minutes. Gibb had then scored 105 and Edrich 128.

Edrich was in great form and delighted the spectators with his

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SOUTH AFRICA—2ND INNINGS	
P. Van Der Byl, c Paynter, b Wright	97
B. Mitchell, b Verity	89
E. Rowan, c Edrich, b Verity	0
A. D. Nourse, c Hutton, b Farnes	25
K. G. Viljoen, b Perks	74
A. Melville, b Farnes	103
E. L. Dalton, c and b Wright	21
R. E. Grieverson, b Farnes	39
A. B. C. Langton, c Hammond, b Farnes	6
E. S. Newson, b Wright	3
N. G. Gordon, not out	17
Extras	17
Total	481

Fall of wickets:—1 for 191 (Mitchell); 2 for 191 (Rowan); 3 for 191 (Van der Byl); 4 for 242 (Nourse); 5 for 346 (Viljoen); 6 for 382 (Dalton); 7 for 434 (Melville); 8 for 450 (Langton); 9 for 462 (Newson); 10 for 481 (Grieverson).

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	R.	M.	W.
Farnes	22.1	2	74	4
Perks	32	6	99	1
Wright	32	7	146	3
Verity	40	9	87	2
Edrich	6	1	18	0
Hammond	9	1	30	0
Hutton	1	0	10	0

ENGLAND—1st Innings 316

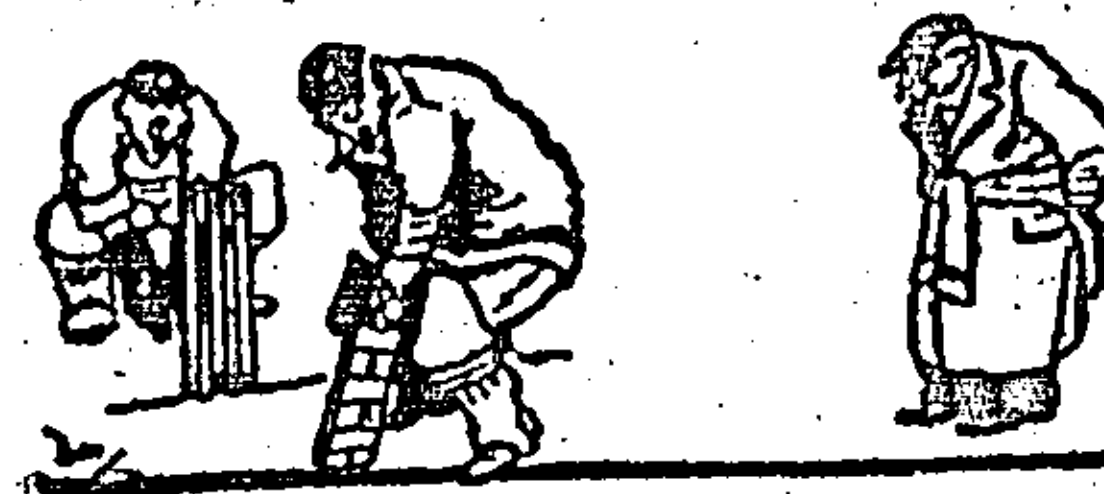
ENGLAND—2ND INNINGS:

Hutton, b Mitchell	55
P. A. Gibb, b Dalton	120
Edrich, c Gordon, b Langton	219
W. R. Hammond, not out	54
Paynter, not out	24
Extras	24

Total (for 3 wks.) 496
Fall of wickets:—1 for 197 (Hutton) 2 for 368 (Gibb) 3 for 447 (Edrich).

grand driving. He punished all except Langton, who kept a good length.

When the lunch adjournment was taken, the score was 388 for 1.



Gibb 112 and Edrich 152, which included 17 fours.

GIBB BOWLED

After adding 25 runs to the total following the resumption, Gibb was bowled by Dalton, a top spinner taking his middle stump.

Gibb made his 120 in a stolid innings lasting 451 minutes. The partnership yielded 280 runs, which was the biggest in the British-South African Tests, beating the feat of Hobbs and Sutcliffe of 268, at Lord's, in 1924.

Edrich with crisp driving, sent the ball to the boundary three times in succession, to score 210 in 395 minutes, including 23 boundaries, 403 runs being hoisted in 497 minutes.

Edrich had scored 215 and Hammond 94 when the tea interval was taken with the score at 442 for 2. When Hammond had scored nine runs, he completed his 1,000 runs for the tour.

Batting brilliantly for 436 minutes and giving a chanceless and sound display of on-driving, Edrich was ultimately dismissed by Gordon, who dived low at silly-leg to hold a catch off Langton's bowling. Edrich had reached the boundary on 25 occasions.

Hammond and Paynter were very cautious, the former reaching his half century in 134 minutes including three boundaries. Play was ultimately adjourned owing to poor light, Hammond and Paynter being undefeated for 58 and 24, respectively, with the total at 496 for 3.

ROLLERS JUST WIN

Pokfulam's Pride Lose Bowling Clash

At the Hong Kong Bowling Alleys last night, the "Rollers" beat "Pokfulam's Pride" by 41 points in a very exciting Ewo League match which was decided in the last frame.

"Pokfulam's Pride"

F. Angus	116	141	125	382
M. Well	115	101	147	363
A. H. Potts	124	92	99	322
L. Well	98	104	109	311
Total				1,378

"Rollers"

C. Guttinger	159	110	176	445
S. A. Tremlett	123	118	95	336
J. Dubois	106	108	108	322
A. A. Hutchison	118	81	122	321
Total				1,419

UNIVERSITY'S BADMINTON WIN OVER TAIKOO

University beat Taikoo by 9 games to nil in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League last night.

P. K. Hui and Miss J. Choa (University).

beat A. Keown and Miss R. Summers 21—11

beat R. Main and Miss G. Cunningham 23—20

beat B. Pecker and Mrs. Main 21—3

C. K. Lee and Miss K. J. Hung (University).

beat Keown and Miss Summers 21—14

beat Main and Miss Cunningham 21—13

beat Pecker and Mrs. Main 21—8

P. S. Bun and Miss J. Anderson (University).

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"BILL" MUIR'S SWAN SONG FOR GREEN SPOTS

Airmen Make Vast Improvement

PLAYING tight ball behind the brilliant pitching of Johnny Alvares, Recreio blanked the mighty Midgets 2-0 in a fast and interesting Softball League game last Sunday. Eddie Gosano's three bagger in the third inning featured the clash.

In this frame A. V. Gosano reached first-base on a hit and a minute later stole second. Mike Mendonca was given a free ticket to first. Eddie Gosano clouted that three-bagger to right-field bringing in brother "A.V." and Mendonca for the only tallies of the encounter.

Johnny Alvares only allowed Midgets four hits, struck out two and issued no free tickets to first. Herbie Quon, Midget's ace-pitcher, fanned six batters, walked seven and only yielded three hits, one each by Mike Mendonca, A. V. Gosano and Eddie Gosano.

Although Midgets outthit the Portuguese squad, they did not have the necessary "umphs" to score.

WHAT A MAN!

Denham Crary was the only Midget to reach third base, but his bonehead base-running robbed his team of a run which would have prevented a shut out. With no one out, Crary reached second on an error by A.A. Prata, who muffed a fly at right-field and later reach third on a wild pitch. Sammy Wong, following Crary at bat, clouted a long fly to left-field, but Crary instead of running home after the catch, just looked bewildered and stood fast at third-base. Dave Hutchison popped to right-field for the second out, and Herbie Quon hit an easy roller to hurler Alvares for third out, to retire the inning with Crary still holding third bag. What a man!

Charlie Feguerido was at his best behind the plate for Recs. His perfect throws to second-base coupled with good catching and tagging on the part of short-stop A. V. Gosano, had the Midget base-stealers out cold at the keystone sack every time.

SPECTACULAR CATCHES

Gerry Gosano, at left-field for Recreio, made three spectacular catches which would have been tragic for his team if missed. For Midgets, Francis Lay shone with his running catches at left-field, while Ed. Fisher was equally sure of his catches at centre-field.

George White, Midget's third-sacker, performed like a professional, his hitting being outstanding.

Next Sunday, Recreio cross bats with Chinese Baseball Club to finalise the championship in the Men's League.

"HAIR-RAISER"

Green Spot Sweeties tightened their grip on the top rung of the Inter-Hong ladder by virtue of their 5-3 win over Union Insurance in a hair-raising thriller at La Salle ground last Sunday.

Union Insurance was leading 3-2 till the sixth frame, when the Orangemen rallied with three markers to put the game in the bag.

Bill Muir who played his last game in the Colony before embark-

ing for home-sweet-home next Friday, played one of his best games on these shores and won the game for the Orange Juicers when he knocked a timely hit, scoring two ahead of him and crossing the plate later on Omar's bingle.

MUIR'S INSPIRED DISPLAY

Bill put body and soul in the game and gave a marvelous display at the hot corner. It was a fitting farewell for a man who has done so much for baseball in this Colony. Willie Rapley pitched great ball for Union Insurance, and so did Pereira, for Green Spot. Both teams were evenly matched, but the Orange Juicers got most of the breaks with the stick. Ali Ismael, playing at short-stop for Union Insurance, was hot stuff in the windy-alley.

On the C.B.A. ground last Sunday afternoon, Shell Oilers was larruped by Socony to the tune of 11-2 in a haphazard game. Hurler Erine Figueirido's slow offering seemed to have a lot of "grease" on it and had Shell's reputed heavy sluggers buffaloeed throughout. The A.P.C. Triple 'Shellers' only registered four measly hits. On the other hand, Socony's hard hitting gang pounded "Killer" G. Guterres for 15 hits in six innings.

SHELL OUTCLASSED

The Socony clan outclassed their opponents in every department of the game. Socony's excellent fielding, which was marred only by one miscue, helped Ernie Figueirido to turn in his two-run-five-hit performance.

Short-stop A. V. Gosano was again the best performer for Socony. Besides making five put-outs and three assists, he executed a neat double-play by scooping a hot burner off Guterres' bat, tagged Kitchell, who was on his way to third and then made a perfect throw to first base to put Guterres out at the initial-sack.

Roy Silva-Netto behind the bat for Socony, played a good game and was a big help in checking his opponents from scoring.

Larry Brown, Socony's stalwart first-baseman, hit the only homer of the game. The ball cleared the wire fence at left field. A. R. Kitchell and Coney Pereira put up a gold showing at short-stop and third-base, respectively.

VERY GOOD GAME

With both teams playing faultless ball, Dutch Bank registered a decided 12-7 victory over Kai Tak Civil Airport. Fuster, Kai Tak's new pitcher, twirled a good game but was unlucky to be touched for 11

SUNDAY'S SOFTBALL SCORES AT A GLANCE

Men's League:

Recreio 2, Midgets 0.

Inter-Hong:

Green Spots 5, Union Insurance 3.

Socony 11, Shell 2.

Dutch Bank 12, Kai Tak Civil 7.

Chartered Bank 10, R.A.F. 4.

bingles, three of which were homers. Moundsman C. A. Coelho, of Dutch Bank had better luck on the mound, allowing the enemy six hits and three walks.

L. A. Ozorio made some fine catches at left-field. A. M. Alves covered short-stop in tip-top fashion, besides hitting a homer in the first inning. C. E. Barros' good fielding at second-base was a big help in keeping the score down.

Nick Beltrao was the biggest hitter of the game. He slammed a homer and a three bagger. C. E. Barros also homered for the Bankers.

P. SEILMAN SHINES

For the Airport gang, P. Seilman distinguished himself in the outfield with four perfect catches. Stanly Lee copped the honours in the infield, making five chances without an error. W. Lawrence played a good good game at short-stop, while D. Sung, the only catcher in the League who is cautious enough to wear a mask, played heads-up ball behind the plate.

The much improved R. A. F. softball team lost a hard fought game to Chartered Bank, the final count being 10-4. It is admirable the way the Airmen have improved in their game since taking up Softball just over a month ago. Their fielding and batting was a 100 per cent. better than when they played their first fixture. A little more polish in their base-running and these Airmen should be in the fore with the rest of the contingents in the Inter-Hong League.

VAST IMPROVEMENT

Pitcher Baynham showed a vast improvement last Sunday, when he only allowed the Chartered Bank clouters 12 safeties, one walk and fanned three. His team-mates gave him good support in the field, erring only four times against the Bankers six miscues.

Silva Netto who pitched six innings for the Bankers, was in great form, striking out eight batters. He allowed seven hits and one walk. In the last stanza, Campos took over the assignment from Silva-Netto and had the Airmen out in short order during his short term on the mound. D. Aquino, Chartered Bank's aggressive short-stop, gave a brilliant performance at the windy-alley. Smith, at second-base, and Gale, at third-base, split honours in the infield for the Airmen. Denham was very dependable as back-stop for the losers.

MILLWALL'S HOME WIN OVER MANCHESTER C.

London, To-day.—In the Second Division of the English League, Millwall beat Manchester City 3 goals to 1 in a home fixture. Reuter.

Revised Cricket Fixtures

At a meeting of the Hong Kong Cricket League held this morning, it was decided, in view of the rapid approach of the rainy season, to make an effort to complete both Divisions of the League by April 1.

In this connection, the Hon. Secretary of the League, Mr. A. H. Madar, of Messrs. Arculli Bros., Holland House, would be glad if club secretaries would advise him as soon as possible if they will be unable to fulfill any of the fixtures appended.

The following are the revised fixtures:—

MARCH 18

First Division

Recreio v H.K.C.C.

K.C.C. v I.R.C.

Second Division

H.K.C.C. v Recreio

Army v University

C.C.C. v Police

I.R.C. v C.S.C.C.

MARCH 25

First Division

Recreio v Navy

H.K.C.C. v C.C.C.

C.S.C.C. v Army

Second Division

P.R.C. v K.C.C.

C.C.C. v H.K.C.C.

I.R.C. v Recreio

Navy v University

APRIL 1

Second Division

P.R.C. v Navy

I.R.C. v K.C.C.

C.S.C.C. v Recreio

CHUNG WAH FAVOURED FOR "B" DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP

St. John's Beat St. Andrew's Last Night

St. Andrew's "A" lost all hopes of winning the "B" Division Badminton Championship last night when, playing away, they lost to St. John's by 6 games to 3.

This defeat of St. Andrew's "A" means that Chung Wah, with only two defeats against them, should win the League Championship as they have only five more comparatively easy matches to play.

St. Andrew's "B" were beaten once again last night, losing to Club de Recreio by 8 games to 1.

ST. ANDREW'S "B" v. RECREIO
C. C. Pereira and C. Marques (Recreio).

lost to S. Darby and L. Gibson 14-21
beat W. Knox and S. A. Broadbridge 24-20

beat J. Tomlinson and L. Avery 21-14
A. E. Xavier and J. Fonseca (Recreio).

beat Darby and Gibson-Gibson 21-14
beat Knox and Broadbridge 24-19

beat Tomlinson and Avery 21-15
J. de Sousa and P. Yvanovich (Recreio).

beat Darby and Gibson-Gibson 21-13
beat Knox and Broadbridge 21-10
beat Tomlinson and Avery 21-5

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A	Pts.
St. John's	18	13	5	105	32	28
St. Andrew's "A"	14	11	3	86	32	22
Chung Wah	13	11	2	78	32	22
K. C. C.	15	11	4	80	32	22
Recreio	12	9	3	72	32	18
W. A. C.	12	9	3	72	32	18
Police	12	9	3	72	32	18
University	12	9	3	72	32	18
Navy	12	9	3	72	32	18
C. S. C. C.	12	9	3	72	32	18
I. R. C.	12	9	3	72	32	18
H. K. C. C.	12	9	3	72	32	18
A. R. C.	12	9	3	72	32	18
D. A. F.	12	9	3	72	32	18
Chartered Bank	12	9	3	72	32	18
Shell	12	9	3	72	32	18
Union Insurance	12	9	3	72	32	18
Orange Juicers	12	9	3	72	32	18
Green Spots	12	9	3	72	32	18
Midgets	12	9	3	72	32	18

COMMERCIALISM AND NATIONALISM IN SPORT

LORD MACKAY'S WARNING AT S.G.U. DINNER

A WARNING regarding the danger of commercialism and nationalism entering into the realms of sport was made by Lord Mackay, when he spoke in the St. Enoch Hotel, Glasgow, at the annual dinner of the Scottish Golf Union (Western district).

Lord Mackay, who replied to the toast of "Other Sports," remarked that Tilden had said recently that he believed the present game of lawn tennis had only five years to live. "I say," commented Lord Mackay, "Heaven forbid. Games must not be commercialised, and money-making must on no account be the first object of the rules."

Whatever difficulties they had in financing the representatives of the different games to play all over the world, they must not allow lawn tennis or any other sport to become essentially a professional's game, he added. If anything could be done to stop the

prime player of this year becoming the professional of next, that should be done.

HOPE IT IS FALSE

"I saw reported," continued Lord Mackay, "and I hope it is not true, that the Italian authorities on this matter have decided that those who play for Italy in lawn tennis must be fascists, must play in uniform, and must not shake hands because that is contamination. I say, Heaven hope that is false. Sports are among the most important things at the present moment to negative the selfish nationalism which is so nearly wrecking the world."

On the question of the age of golf, Lord Mackay stated that he had heard from Holland some claims that the

game was really derived from the Lowlands there and brought to Scotland. He pointed out that long before the earliest of the Dutch pictures had been painted, golf was regulated under the Scottish statutes—in 1527.

PHYSICAL FITNESS

Baillie Alan Ogg, who proposed the toast, asked if this was not the time for a reawakening of our national morale, and the going into the question of our physical fitness as a nation? It seemed to him that their kindred sports had a part to play in that direction, because a high standard of sportsmanship, fair play, and clean living had a great share in the building of character which governed all those principles of discipline, which were part of our national life. Sports could provide that common bond of friendship between peoples irrespective of class, colour, or nationality.

Mr. G. Summarn, who presided, replying to the toast of "The Scottish Golf Union (Western District)," referred to the proposed restriction in the flight of the ball, and said he would personally love to have a ball that would fly off quite properly, and straightly, and finish nearer the hole, but he realised that would not be for the good of the game. The ball the Royal and Ancient would finally decide upon, he hoped, would be one of less efficiency, which would bring back into the very ancient game all its old skill.

To-Day's Tennis Programme

Two Changes In Schedule

Weather permitting, to-day's schedule of matches in the Colony Open Singles and Doubles Lawn Tennis Championships will be held.

The programme is an interesting one and at least two doubles and two singles encounters are likely to produce some good tennis.

Two changes have been made in the remaining days' schedules. As W. C. Hung has not yet returned from his honeymoon, his singles match against Ho Ka-lau to-morrow has been postponed, and A. Crawford will meet Pang Oi-lam. On Friday, the second doubles match, in which Hung and Fincher were to have been featured, has been postponed and S. A. Rumjahn will meet N. L. Evans.

The following is to-day's and the remaining fixtures for the week:

TO-DAY

Open Singles

S. W. Liang v. N. A. E. Mackay (2), F. H. Kwok v. P. S. Leong (3), Luk Chun-cheung v. C. R. Bax (6), T. A. Pearce v. W. K. Ma (7).

Open Doubles

Chan Kam-moon and Wong Fuk-nam v. I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu. S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn v. Lee Wai-tong and Iu Tak-cheuk (5). J. W. Leonard and George Choa v. Paul Kong and B. Szeto (8).

Club Handicap Singles

J. C. Pool (1.6) v. A. T. Dow (-2.6).

TO-MORROW

Open Singles

Lim Thian-tet v. Lee Yue-wing (3), H. C. Gan v. George Choa (4), A. Crawford v. Pang Oi-lam (5), E. C. Fincher v. Paul Kong.

Club Championship

J. J. Ferguson v. Capt. A. B. Whatman (6).

Club Handicap Singles

V. R. Gordon (-3.6) v. T. C. Monaghan (-4.6) (1), N. L. Evans (scr.) v. L. M. S. Lloyd (-1.6) (7).

THURSDAY

Open Singles

O. Rumjahn v. I. M. A. Razack (3), Tsui Wai-pui (holder) v. Chan Chi-keung (5), Tsui Ping-fan v. Chan Kam-moon (6), Tsui Yun-pui v. Wan Tze-sam (7), B. Szeto v. J. W. Leonard (8).

Club Handicap Singles

E. R. Childe (1.6) v. L. P. Ralph (1.6) (1), T. J. Price (-1.6) v. R. K. Valentine (-1.6) (2), C. W. E. Bishop (-1.6) v. F. A. Joseph (-1.6) (4).

FRIDAY

Open Doubles

Major F. C. Nottingham and Capt. R. B. Lecky v. Lt. D. C. Misra and Lt. S. M. Afzal (4), S. A. Rumjahn v. N. L. Evans.

Club Championship

T. A. Pearce v. T. C. Monaghan (6).

Club Handicap Singles

H. J. Armstrong (-1.5) v. R. M. M. King (3.6) (1), W. Wooding (scr.) v. C. C. Stark (2.6) (2), C. B. Nicholson (-3.6) v. J. Thomson (-2.6) (3), H. D. Bidwell (-1.6) v. A. K. Mackenzie (-1.6) (7), L. Goldman (-3.0) v. J. J. Ferguson (-1.5) (8).

ADAMSON CUP MATCH PLAY STAGES

The First Round draw of the match play stages of the Adamson Cup Golf Competition is as follows:

F. Buckle v. T. D. Paton.
S. T. Butlin v. A. L. Burnie.
H. Smith v. G. T. May.
J. Stenerson v. B. Tuck.

Matches are to be played on the mornings of the following dates (or by mutual consent on earlier dates):

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F.A. Players' Strike Threat

No Interference With This Season's Competitions

ENGLISH LEAGUE READY TO CONSIDER DEMANDS

(By AIR MAIL)

THE English Football League will give consideration to the demands of footballers, provided they are made in constitutional manner. Mr. W. C. Cuff, the League acting president, made this statement. A strike of players will not take place this season, and no precipitate action will be taken without clubs being given the chance of hearing what their footballers want.

The resolutions passed in London of the Players' Union will go before a full meeting of delegates, which was expected to be held in Manchester last night. These are the latest developments in the dispute between footballers and the ruling bodies of the game over questions relating to better conditions for players.

That a strike of footballers, threatened by members of the Players' Union, if other methods fail to give them better conditions, will not take place this season, and that there will be no interference with the finish of the English League competitions or the English Cup tournament, was made clear by an official of the Union.

THE NEXT STEP

After the resolutions passed at Monday night's meeting have been put before an extraordinary meeting of delegates, the next step will be the formulating of demands to be put before the Football League at the annual meeting in London next May.

"Then it is up to the club and the authorities," declared the Union official. "If the demands of the players, for what they consider is their due, are not given consideration, there will be only one step left for us to take."

TIME LIMIT

A speaker at the meeting in London suggested a time-limit of three months be set for the satisfaction of their demand.

Many managers would pay their players more, it was stated at the meeting, if the rules were altered to permit a higher rate. A well-known footballer said yesterday:—"The financial difficulties of many Third Division clubs have not been lost sight of, but it is our view that if a League club does not think a player worth a minimum of £4 per week all the year round, then he cannot be considered up to League standard. We want this minimum, or a free transfer for the man concerned."

SCEPTICAL DIRECTORS

"The extra £1 per week asked for isn't much," declared a League club manager, who is an old internationalist, when asked for views on the controversy. "The richer clubs could pay it, but there are many who could not afford to pay their players more than they do now. Very few clubs make a profit nowadays. Of course, if there is a question of clubs being helped by the League and the Football Association that would be a different matter."

This manager was firm on one point. "I am heartily in agreement with the demand of the men that compensation for disability through injury should be increased."

WHAT IS IT?

Several directors expressed the opinion that the players could not be serious in their talk of a strike. "What is the Players' Union, who does it represent?" asked one.



Local Soccer Season Will Conclude On Schedule!

For the first time in many years, the local football season will be completed by the first week-end in April in accordance with the schedule drawn up at the commencement of the season.

This season it will not be necessary for clubs to play two or three games during the early part of May in an effort to bring the season to a close. When one takes into consideration the number of teams in the three divisions, the large number of representative games and additional charity games, coupled with numerous postponements during Military and Volunteer Camps and the Combined Manoeuvres, this state of affairs is to say the least, very gratifying.

In past years several clubs had genuine complaints about being without games for several weeks through the postponed fixtures at and then called upon to rush the end of the season.

This season, postponed games were always held on the first free dates, games were arranged while Service teams co-operated by playing whenever possible during the week, while several Civilian teams who share grounds—agreed to play on their opponents ground, thus assisting the Association greatly.

ONLY ONE BADMINTON MATCH TO-DAY

Only one match is down for decision in the Open Badminton Championships at Taikoo this evening. The tie is in doubles in which P. S. Byn and M. S. Lim will meet D. and F. H. Kwok, starting at 8 p.m. The Senior Singles match between M. A. Oliveira and K. L. Yong, originally fixed to be played off this evening as well, has been postponed to next Tuesday.

The Players' Union, according to Mr. James Fay, the secretary, has a membership of nearly 2000 out of an estimated number of 2500 League footballers in England. Eighty-one out of the eighty-eight clubs in the four Divisions are represented.

L.T.A. Decision On Players' Expenses

The L.T.A. Council have decided not to accept the proposal of the ranked players that the permissible reduction in hotel bills of 40 per cent. should be increased to 75 per cent. They have also decided that the entry fees for players under 25 who compete at Wimbledon shall not be reduced. However, in future, all competitors at Wimbledon who are playing at two o'clock will receive free luncheons.

These proposals were three of a number sent in by the ranked players in this country to the L.T.A. for discussion.

The claim for increased allowances in the reduction of hotel bills followed the defeat at the annual general meeting of the "eight weeks" rule, which stipulated that certain players can accept expenses while playing in tournaments for eight weeks during the year.

Irish Golf Union's Move To Stop Sweepstakes

"In The Interests Of The Game"

(By AIR MAIL)

A STEP towards putting an end to auction sweepstakes and betting has been taken by the Standing Committee of the Golfing Union of Ireland, meeting in Dublin.

The following was ordered to be inserted in the minutes:—

"The disadvantages of (a) auction sweeps; (b) the laying of odds; and (c) similar financial gambling transactions in connection with handicap golf competitions, were fully discussed, and it was unanimously decided to appeal to the affiliated clubs to terminate such club practices in the interests of the allocation of golf handicaps on a correct basis in particular and in the interests of the game in general."

The recent resolution of the Union prohibiting the acceptance of prizes from firms, &c., for club prizes was unanimously considered to include the ladies' sections of all affiliated clubs.

C.B.S. ATHLETIC EVENTS DECIDED DURING HEATS

Last Saturday's events at the Central British School annual sports did not include the following, which were decided on the heats days, earlier in the week:

Long Jump Senior Boys.—B. Wilson; W. Pryde; T. Suiter.
Long Jump Middle Boys.—K. Messan; G. Saunders; P. Morrison.
Long Jump Junior Boys.—F. Fabel; V. Nesteroff; T. Koch.
Long Jump Senior Girls.—A. Smith; D. Squires; D. Watson.
Putting-the-shot Senior Boys.—D. Wilson; T. Suiter; N. Smith.
Throwing the cricket ball Middle Boys.—K. Messan; G. Saunders; T. Osborne.
Throwing the cricket ball Junior Boys.—D. Odell; S. Langley; H. Amann.
High Jump Middle Boys.—W. Desterhast; G. Saunders; K. Messan.
High Jump Junior Boys.—F. Langley; D. Newburn; D. Saunders.
High Jump Middle Girls.—B. Goodwin; J. Kew; C. Burch.
High Jump Junior Girls.—M. Jack; S. Boas; F. Carlo.

With her first place in the Long Jump, Miss A. Smith, Victrix Ludorum, thus won every event open to Senior Girls.

RUGBY LEAGUE SEMI-FINAL ROUND DRAW

London, To-day.

The following is the draw for the semi-final round of the Rugby League Cup, which will be held on April 1:

Hullfax or Wakefield v. Leeds
Salford v. Wigan.

— Reuter.

ANOTHER WELSH RUGBY TRIALIST TURNS PROFESSIONAL

Yet another Welsh international trialist has turned professional. The latest to do so is the Cardiff player, who has signed for the Cardiff City team.

Lido Soccer Team For Colony

(By "UBIQUE")

If negotiations are successful, the Lido Recreation Football Club of Shanghai will pay a visit to the Colony early in May for a short series of matches.

The Lido team won the Skottowe Cup competition in Shanghai this season and are composed entirely of Chinese among whom are Suen Kam-suen, Lee Yee-sang, and Lee Ning, all former Interporters.

Advice of the pending visit was mentioned by Suen Kam-suen in a letter to a friend here, and it was also stated that Eastern Athletic Federation or the Hong Kong Amateur Chinese Federation would be asked to make all the local arrangements.

It is hoped that three games will be played here, one of which will be against a team composed of the Hong Kong Football Association.

David Kossick
(Comedian)
From The Studio

Today's Wireless

English Folk Music:
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12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Roy Fox & His Orchestra with Turner Layton (Vocal & Piano).
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Harold Ramsay at the Organ.
Rodeo March (Ramsay).
St. Louis Blues (Handy).
Popular Melodies. Intro: Alone at a table for two; Alone, I'm all alone; You started me dreaming; The touch of your lips; Lost.
1.15 p.m.—Router and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.30 p.m.—Dance Music.
Quicksteps—O.O.O.O.O.Oh, Boom! Mam, I Wanna Make Rhythm (film "Manhattan Music Box").
Harry Roy & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
Tango—Hear My Song, Violetta.... Robert Renard Dance Orchestra with Vocal.
1.40 p.m.—Light Orchestral.
A Day in Tyrol (Romer & Faun); Swing Me Up Higher (A Fair Ground Fantasy—Mackeben).... The Bohemians.
Scandinavian Dances (Collected by the Ling Association). Intro: Shoemaker; Hornpipe; Norwegian Mazurka; Mangling.... Folk Dance Orchestra cond. by Victor Olof.
Tango Torero (Boulanger); Gypsy Serenade (Boulanger).... George

Boulanger & His Orchestra.
Black Eyes (Russian Gypsy Song—Ferraris); Pizzicato—Intermezzo (Muh).
Willy Steiner & His Salon Orchestra.
Parade of the Tin Soldiers (Jessel); Rag Doll (Nacio Herb Brown).... New Mayfair Novelty Orchestra.
Watermelon Fete (Thurman); Down South (Maddleton, arr. Tabbusch).
Jack Hylton & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.
(a) When my dream boat comes home; (b) Slumming on Park Avenue; (c) Tears in my heart; (d) He Ain't Got Rhythm.
6.14 p.m.—Record: Many Happy Returns of the Day (Dubin & Burke); Blaze Away (Kennedy and Holmann).... Eddie Peabody playing his Banjo Guitar, Mandoline & Mandocello with Own Vocal Refrain and Piano.
6.21 p.m.—(a) Solitude; (b) An old Straw Hat; (c) Alone with you; (d) Happy Ending.
6.35 p.m.—Records: I'm A Fool For Loving You (Lewis-Wendling); You Have That Extra Something (V. Ellis); Frances Day (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Cloister Shadows (Hope).... Reginald Foort at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.

6.44 p.m.—(a) Ebb Tide; (b) The Shag; (c) Malihini Mele; (d) Row Row your boat.
7 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.02 p.m.—Elgar—"Crown of India" Suite, Op. 68. London Symphony Orchestra conducted by The Composer.
7.15 p.m.—London Relay—English Folk Music. A programme of music by Gerard Williams, founded on English folk-tunes, with an account, written by the composer, of the tunes and the songs and how they were collected. Ethel Williams (Soprano); George Gibbs (Baritone). The B.B.C. Midland Orchestra conducted by Eric Warr. Orchestra: Folk Tune Medley: The Glory of the West; New, New, Nothing; Mundesse; Farewell Nancy (Somerset). George Gibbs and Orchestra: Jack, the Jolly Tar; One May Morning (Dorset). Orchestra: Lovely on the Water (Norfolk). Folk Tune Medley: Prince Rupert's March; All a mode de France; Goddasses. Ethel Williams and Orchestra: Two Somerset Folk Songs: In Bruton Town; Geordie. Orchestra: The Cuckoo (Somerset); The Unfortunate Lad (Yorkshire). Ethel Williams and Orchestra: William Taylor (Somerset). Orchestra: Folk Tune Medley: The Milk Mayd's Bobb; An Old Man is a Bedfull of Bones; Lullie me beyond thee.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) and Tino Rossi (Tenor) in a Light French Programme.
Air Varie Sur Un Theme Suisse (Mohr).... Garde Republicaine Band of France cond. by Pierre Dupont.
Le Secret De Tes Caresses (Varna, Cab & Ala); M'Ames Tu? (Pearl).... Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orchestra.
11 p.m.—Close down.

Ballade (Jamblan and Delettre); Landerivette (Jamblan and Delettre).... Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) with Orchestra.
Te Revolt, d'Angelys & Parera; Les Fleurs d'Est, De L'Amour (Montier & Tillymoon).... Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orchestra.
Estampe Marocaine (Eddy & Bos).... Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) with Orchestra.
Serenade—Valse Espagnole (Metra); De Picpus Au Palais D'Angkor; Fox-Intermezzo (Marocco).... Orchestra Ruby Goldstein.
D'Amour En Amour (Lelièvre & Delettre); La Voyagieuse (Aubret & Delettre).... Lucienne Boyer with Orchestra.
8.47 p.m.—Charlie Kunz at the Piano. Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 2. Intro: Across the great divide; This night is young and you're so beautiful; Boo-hoo; The Coronation Waltz; I'm still in love with you; Delyao.
Kunz Revivals No. 1. Intro: Some of these days; With a song in my heart; Night and day; If you could care for me; Kiss me again; Bitter Sweet.
9 p.m.—Studio—Monologue by David Kossick.
9.15 p.m.—Jimmy Dorsey's Orchestra. You Never Looked So Beautiful (film "The Great Ziegfeld"); You (film "The Great Ziegfeld"); Wah-Hoo! (Friend); I Ain't No Use (Magillson, Lane); The Boston Tea Party—Fox-Trot... with Vocal Refrain.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Songs by Stuart Robertson (Baritone).
Sea Fever (Ireland); When Lights Go Rolling (Ireland); When Dull Care (Lane Wilson)... with Piano accomp. by Gerald Moore.
10 p.m.—London Relay—The City of London—4: The Baltic Exchange, by Frank E. Fehr, C.B.E., Chairman of the Baltic Exchange.
10.15 p.m.—Beethoven—Symphony No. 5 in F Major, Op. 68 ("Pastoral"). Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.
11 p.m.—Close down.



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7 4 3
Q 5
A 2
A 7 4
Q 8 5
A 10 6 3
J 8 2
N E
S
A 10
Q K J 10 8
7 4 3
A 10 6 5 3
Q J 2
A K Q J 10 8
A K Q 4

The bidding:
South West North East
2♥ Pass 2NT Pass
4♥ Pass 4A Pass
6♥ Dbl. Pass Pass
Redbl. Pass Pass Pass

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A K J x x x
A x
Q A x
K x x x

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1A Pass (?)

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A A Q J 10 8 7
Q A K Q J
Q A K

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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AT THE KING'S—"My Bill." Screen version of the well-known stage play "Courage," with Kay Francis in her most appealing role as the mother of three ungrateful children and little Dickie Moore, who steals right into one's heart as the little laddie who fights for her happiness. With Kay Francis, John Littel, Anita Louise, Bonita Granville, Bobbie Jordan, Elisabeth Risdén and Dickie Moore.

AT THE STAR—"Live, Love and Learn." A gay bantering tale of love brings Robert Montgomery and Rosalind Russell to the screen again. Robert Benchley adds his special brand of humour to the amusing plot and Helen Vinson is cast in another of her highly-applauded "other woman" portrayals.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Drums." In magnificent technicolour, this is a stirring tale of the Northwest Frontier. With Sabu, Roger Livesey, Raymond Massey, Valerie Hobson and Desmond Tester.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Zaza." A classic of stage and screen is reborn in sumptuous style. The powerful and horse stamped, and a daring, stolen dramatic tale of an illicit love that is romance of the West.

stronger than life itself, set against a glittering background of Parisian vaudeville. Supporting Claudette Colbert, the splendid cast includes Herbert Marshall, Bert Lahr, Helen Westley, Constance Collier, Genevieve Tobin and Walter Catlett.

AT THE CATHAY—"Carefree." A laugh-song-and-dance-packed romantic triangle. With Ginger coquetting in one corner and psychoanalyst Fred coaxing her away from Ralph Bellamy in the other. With Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers, Ralph Bellamy, Laolla Gear, Jack Carson and Franklin Pangborn.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Three Smart Girls." Deanna Durbin, sensational new screen discovery in a gay romance with Blinnie Barnes, Alice Brady, Ray Millard, Nan Gray and Barbara Read.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 1st March, 1939, to Wednesday, the 15th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

F. C. BARRY,
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Hong Kong, 15th February, 1939.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.
Hong Kong, 4th March, 1939.

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JAP. DIVERS COMPETING WITH AUSSIES

Tokyo, To-day.

With the pearl fishing season in the Arafura Sea, off the northern coast of Australia, close at hand, over a thousand Japanese divers are getting ready to leave for the fishing grounds, to reinforce the twelve hundred already there.

Most of them will proceed first to Palao (Pelew) Island, in the Carolines, and there embark on 60-ton luggers for the fishing grounds.

It is estimated that Japanese pearl divers every season collect from three to four thousand tons of pearl-shell from the depths of the ocean. Exports of the shell to the United States and Europe are valued at more than £600,000 annually, with prices rising steadily.

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The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has decided to place the 5,500-ton steamer Bengal Maru on a special service in connection with the pearl fisheries, states the "Miyako Shimbun."

With lower costs and a special aptitude for diving to unusual depths, the Japanese almost monopolise the valuable pearl-fishing ground off the northern coast of Australia, the Australian interests finding competition difficult.—Reuter.

NO FORMAL GUARANTEE SAYS LONDON

LONDON, TO-DAY.

OFFICIAL CIRCLES HERE MAINTAIN RESERVE IN REGARD TO THE EVENTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, AND CONCERNING THE QUESTION OF BRITISH GUARANTEE OF CZECHOSLOVAK TERRITORY IT IS POINTED OUT IN INFORMED QUARTERS THAT NO FORMAL GUARANTEE EVER HAS BEEN GIVEN.

It is moreover emphasised that any such a guarantee could relate solely to foreign aggression against Czechoslovakia and not to a disintegration of the Czechoslovak Republic from internal causes. It is added that for the time being British interests are not affected by the happenings in Bratislava.

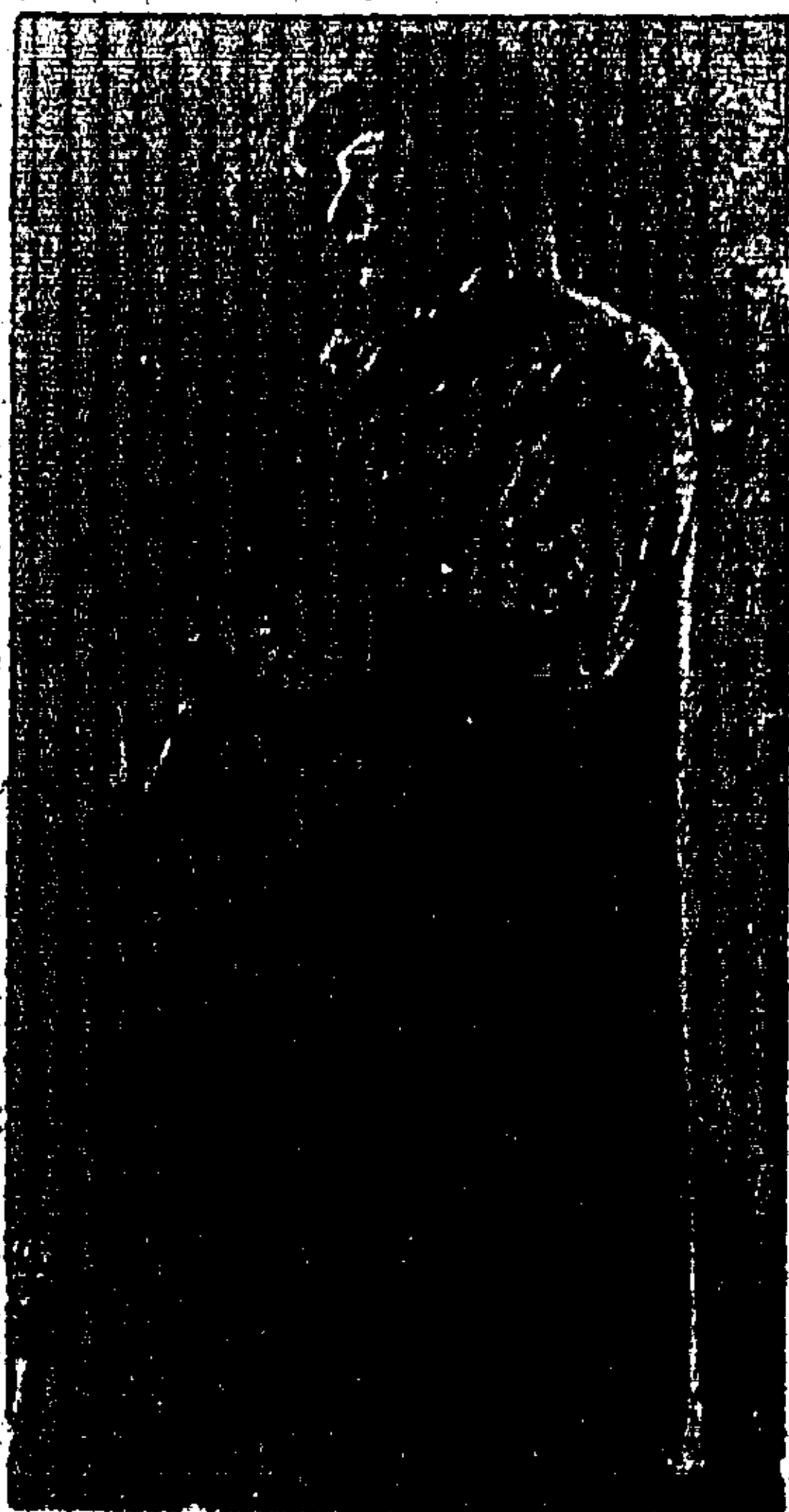
The British Government it is stated is in close touch with Paris on the subject of developments in Czechoslovakia but no concrete proposals regarding eventual steps to be taken by either Government have yet been made.

No official communication from the Czechoslovak Government concerning the situation has yet been received here.—Trans-Ocean.

Jerusalem, To-day.

A landmine explosion near Haifa yesterday killed two Jewish farmers and seriously wounded another.

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HLINKA GUARDS CHIEF OUSTED

Prague, To-day.

The Chief of Staff of the Hlinka Guards, Colonel Murgac, has been dismissed from office by the newly appointed Slovak Premier, Karl Sidor, according to a report broadcast by the Prague radio.

As grounds for this action Col. Murgac's speech broadcast from Vienna on Saturday is cited. Col. Murgac called Dr. Sidor a traitor who had betrayed the Slovaks to the Czechs and demanded a free and independent Slovakia.

Deputy Paul Carnogarsky has been appointed new chief of the Hlinka guards.—Trans-Ocean.

RELEASED BY GENERAL MIAJA

London, To-day.

Press messages received from Madrid late last night state that the city is still perfectly calm, though fighting between the Defence Junta and Communists is continuing outside Madrid.

The streets are again full of people, walking freely where only the day before street battles were raging.

A Madrid radio announcement says that General Miaja has released between 1,000 and 2,000 prisoners held by the Communists.

CZECH CLASH WITH SLOVAKS

Prague, To-day.

According to a report from Bratislava, a meeting of Hlinka Guards last night ended in complete disorder.

Troops were called out and charged the crowds with fixed bayonets.—Reuter.

SNOW COVERS VESUVIUS

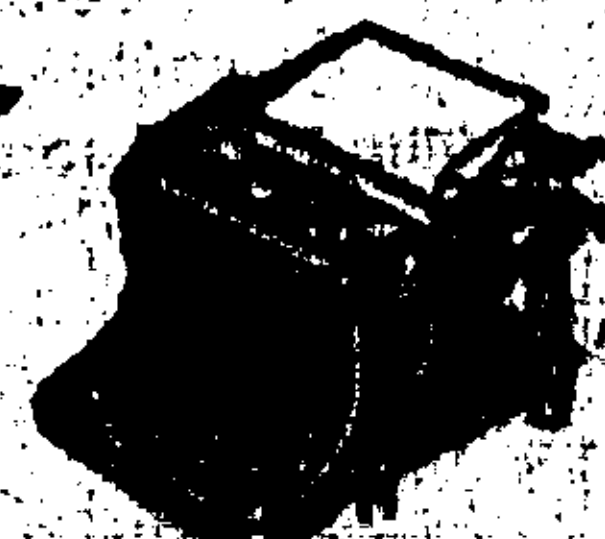
Venice, To-day.

For the first time in many years, Mount Vesuvius is snow covered.

The whole slopes of the volcano are clothed in white following a severe snowstorm last night.

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